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# I. PROPOS DE L'ÉDITEUR

## I. REMARKS & NOTES BY THE EDITOR

1. Le présent numéro ouvre une nouvelle série : il est le numéro 1 de l'année VI d'existence du Bulletin.

Nous avons essayé de rendre plus complète la partie que nous avons baptisée administrative et qui est destinée à donner aux membres de l'A.I.H.S. ce qui peut retenir leur attention dans le monde hydrologique.

Comme par le passé, nous ne négligerons pas ce qui se rapporte aux travaux hydrologiques des grands organismes internationaux gouvernementaux : UNESCO, F.A.O., O.M.M., ECAFE, Centre des Nations Unies, etc.

Nous voudrions aussi avoir une partie de cette rubrique consacrée à l'action des Comités Nationaux d'Hydrologie. Le Royaume Uni nous donne aujourd'hui un magnifique exemple de semblable collaboration.

D'autre part, il nous a été demandé d'étoffer quelque peu notre partie Scientifique. Le présent numéro vous offre un nombre accru d'études présentées pour la plupart à Helsinki, mais avec un retard qui n'a pas permis de les imprimer dans les Comptes-Rendus et Rapports.

2. Le Secrétaire de l'A.I.H.S. me demande avec instance d'attirer l'attention sur un point auquel il attache une grande importance. Il vient de recevoir du British National Committee une brochure sur l'activité hydrologique dans le Royaume Uni. Cette brochure donnant les indications absolument indispensables sur tout ce qui concerne l'hydrologie est, aux yeux du Secrétaire, un modèle du genre dont il y a lieu de féliciter les auteurs mentionnés dans la préface.

1. The present issue opens a new series: it is the first issue of the sixth year of the Bulletin's existence.

We have tried to render more complete the section which we have named Administrative and which is intended to give to the members of I.A.S.H. that which merits their attention in the realm of hydrology.

As in the past, we shall not neglect whatever concerns the hydrological activities of the great international governmental organizations: UNESCO, FAO., ECAFE, the Water Resources Development Centre (United Nations), etc.

We should also like to have a part of this section devoted to the activities of national hydrological committees. The United Kingdom has given us at this very time an admirable example of collaboration in this respect.

On the other hand, we have been asked to enlarge a little our Scientific section. The present issue offers you an increased number of articles contributed for the most part for Helsinki, but with such delay as prevented theme being printed in the volumes of Papers and Proceedings.

2. The Secretary of I.A.S.H. entreats me to draw your attention to a matter to which he attaches great importance. He has just received from the British national committee a booklet on hydrological activities within the United Kingdom. This booklet, which gives absolutely indispensable information about everything concerning hydrology, is in the Secretary's view a model of its kind, as to which one congratulates the authors mentioned in its preface.



Nous la reproduisons in extenso dans la partie administrative réservée à l'A.I.H.S.

Le Secrétaire demande à tous les comités Nationaux de bien vouloir établir pour leur pays des documents du même genre. Peut-il espérer les recevoir avant la fin de cette année?

3. Le Secrétaire demande aussi de signaler que la publication des Rapports et Comptes-Rendus d'Helsinki a subi un certain retard du fait des événements de son pays. Le Tome troisième d'Helsinki (Erosion Continentale — Précipitations, Evaporation, etc.) a paru fin février 1961. Le tome Neiges et glaces sortira en Avril, comme vraisemblablement le volume sur l'Antarctique.

4. Le Secrétaire me transmet aussi une masse de documents relatifs à la vie de l'Association. Vous trouverez donc dans la partie dite Administrative sous la rubrique de l'A.I.H.S., les informations relatives au colloque d'Athènes et les premiers renseignements pour les colloques de 1962 sur les fluctuations des glaciers et sur l'Erosion continentale. Vous pourrez aussi prendre connaissance des thèmes à étudier pour l'Assemblée Générale de 1963.

Il est d'ailleurs question d'organiser des symposia sur d'autres thèmes à cette occasion, mais la question doit être discutée encore.

We reproduce it at full length in the Administrative section, under the heading of I.A.S.H.

The Secretary asks all national committees kindly to prepare each for their own country a document of the same kind. Can he expect to receive them before the end of this year?

3. The Secretary wishes also to announce that the publication of the Papers and Proceedings of Helsinki has suffered some delay owing to events in his country. The third Helsinki volume (Land Erosion, Precipitation, Evaporation, etc.) appeared at the end of February 1961. The Snow-and-Ice volume will appear in April, as likewise the volume about the Antarctic.

4. The Secretary has passed to me a number of documents relating to the life of the Association. You will accordingly find in the said Administrative section, under the heading of I.A.S.H., information regarding the Athens symposium and the first details of the 1962 symposia, on the fluctuations of glaciers and on land erosion. You can take note also of the subjects to be discussed at the General Assembly in 1963.

There is moreover a question of organizing symposia on other subjects on the occasion of the Assembly, of 1963 but this needs further discussion.

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## II. PARTIE SCIENTIFIQUE

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### SUR QUELQUES RIVIERES D'UNE ABONDANCE SPECIFIQUE ENORME

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#### RÉSUMÉ

Il y a une trentaine d'années, on s'était habitué à considérer comme des records d'abondance moyenne annuelle 40 à 45 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour des rivières alpestres et pyrénéennes (Gave d'Oloron) drainant de 2000 à 3500 Km<sup>2</sup>, et même 6500 (cas exceptionnel) pour le Tessin. A l'issue de surfaces plus petites, on avait relevé avec admiration 60 à 70 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 50 à 100 Km<sup>2</sup>, et même pour 187 Km<sup>2</sup> de l'Arve à Chamonix, enfin plus de 80 ou même de 85 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 5 à 20 Km<sup>2</sup> (Emissaire des lacs d'Artouste et de Caillouas, Albigna). Ensuite on a trouvé, en Ecosse, 72 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 389 Km<sup>2</sup> de la Garry, 88 à 90 pour l'émissaire du Loch Quoich (128 Km<sup>2</sup>) et sur le cours de l'Isonzo (Frioul) 86 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 326 Km<sup>2</sup>, et 70 pour 1357 (à Canale). Mais tous ces chiffres étaient dépassés de loin par certains modules norvégiens : par exemple 88 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 83 Km<sup>2</sup> du Norddalselv, 56,1 pour 3113 Km<sup>2</sup> de la Rana.

Depuis lors on a trouvé des chiffres aussi forts ou plus élevés (compte tenu des surfaces) en diverses régions semblables à la Norvège Sud-occidentale (à des latitudes moyennes), avec reliefs condensateurs situés très près de mers tièdes d'où affluent les masses d'air humides chassées par des vents à composante Ouest. Le texte qui suit détaille divers débits qu'on a relevés ou qu'on suppose presque à coup sûr pour la région côtière du Pacifique au Canada, et au Sud dans le Washington et l'Oregon septentrional, pour le Chili méridional, pour la lisière Nord occidentale de l'île Sud en Nouvelle Zélande. Disons seulement ici qu'au Chili le Rio San Pedro débite 124 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 3690 Km<sup>2</sup>, et le Rio Puelo, 78 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 8832 Km<sup>2</sup>. Certains petits bassins de ces régions doivent émettre 200 voire 220 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> pour 50 à 100 Km<sup>2</sup>.

Pour les régions tropicales ou intertropicales, on aurait environ 240 lit/sec. par Km<sup>2</sup> à la Réunion pour la rivière des Roches et le Grand Bras (20,5 et 7,6 Km<sup>2</sup>).

Il y a vingt ans, j'ai présenté à la Sixième Assemblée Générale de l'Association internationale d'Hydrologie scientifique, à Edimbourg, une communication sur «les cours d'eau les mieux alimentés du monde» (1).

Depuis lors, les progrès très considérables de l'Hydrométrie dans le monde nous ont apporté des éléments de rectifications, légères en général. Et surtout ils nous ont révélé des débits moyens annuels précédemment inconnus et remarquables par leurs grandeurs. Nous indiquerons ci-dessous quelques unes de ces nouveautés, sans vouloir donner à nos énumérations et à nos explications autant d'ampleur que dans l'article plus haut rappelé.

#### 1. — GROS DÉBITS EN EUROPE NON SCANDINAVE

Tout d'abord, et ceci nous servira de base comparative nous indiquerons quels débits moyens annuels spécifiques peuvent être considérés comme très hauts pour l'Europe en dehors de la Norvège.

On attribuera cette distinction non certes aux modules de la Seine à Paris (7 lit/sec. par km<sup>2</sup> au plus) ou de la Loire à Nantes (7,3 ou un peu plus). Bien plus imposants, pour de

(1) Comptes-Rendus et Rapports n° 22 de l'Association in-8°, 1937, p. 181-194.



grands bassins, sont les modules spécifiques virtuels <sup>(1)</sup> du Rhône à Beaucaire et du Pô à Pont Lagoscuro, à savoir respectivement 19 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 95.000 km<sup>2</sup>, et 24,3 pour 70.000. En rapport avec ces chiffres nous citerons ceux bien plus considérables, qui se rapportent à des rivières pyrénéennes et surtout alpestres drainant 1000 à 3000 km<sup>2</sup> en général : à savoir 4 à 45 lit. sec par km<sup>2</sup> pour l'Arve à Genève, l'Aar à Berne, La Limmat à Baden, la Reuss à Mellin gen, le Gave d'Oloron à Escos, et même, chose remarquable, pour plus de 6500 km<sup>2</sup>, le Tessin à la sortie du Lac Majeur <sup>(2)</sup> (44,6). On peut ajouter à cette liste l'Inn à la fin de son cours avec 28 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> ou un peu plus, pour 26.000 km<sup>2</sup>, encore que toute une partie intraalpine de ce bassin ne sont pas très arrosée, à cause des obstacles opposés par le relief à l'invasion des systèmes nuageux. Le Rhin à Bâle, pour 36.000 km<sup>2</sup> débite 28,5 lit.sec.par km<sup>2</sup>. Et l'Aar fait un peu mieux à Stilli avec 31,6 litres seconde par km<sup>2</sup> pour 17,625 km<sup>2</sup>. Si l'on prend au contraire des bassins très-petits, on trouve pour 20 à 200 km<sup>2</sup>, en assez grand nombre, des modules spécifiques de 60 à 75 lit. sec. par km<sup>2</sup>; et même plus de 80 pour quelques petites surfaces réceptrices, dans les Pyrénées plus de 85 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour le Sousscuéou émissaire du Lac d'Artouste (région supérieure du Cave d'Ossau) et de 80 pour 6 km<sup>2</sup> drainés à la sortie du Lac de Caillonas (bassin de la Neste de Louron).

Pour les Alpes je connaissais déjà plus de 85 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour la Lütschine à Grindelwald (44,5 km<sup>2</sup>) et 82,9 pour l'Albigna (bassin de l'Adda) à Alpe Albigna (20,5 km<sup>2</sup>). Il se peut encore qu'on trouve 75 à 80 et plus pour l'Arveyron (80 km<sup>2</sup>) émissaire de la Mer de Glace et pour le torrent des Bossons qui draine le glacier de ce nom. Et 68,3 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 205 km<sup>2</sup> de la Massa, émissaire du glacier d'Aletsch font imposante figure. Plus récemment nous avons eu connaissance de chiffres nettement plus forts, surtout compte tenu des surfaces réceptrices : à savoir sur l'Isonzo au Nord-Est du Frioul, 86 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> à Log, pour 326 km<sup>2</sup> et 70 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 1357 km<sup>2</sup> à Canale. En dehors de ces derniers cas d'abondance réellement extraordinaire pour l'Europe continentale on peut compter comme modules très élevés : 30 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 20.000 km<sup>2</sup>, 35 pour 10.000, 45 pour 1000 à 2.000, 60 pour 250 à 500, 70 pour 50 à 100, 80 pour 10 à 50 km<sup>2</sup>. Or les belles études du major MacClelland ont révélé dans les hautes terres d'Ecosse extrêmement arrosées (jusqu'à 3 m 50 et plus de précipitations annuelles en certains points) et malgré la modération de l'altitude qui ne dépassait guère 1300 mètres, certains débits encore plus remarquables que ceux des rivières alpestres (hormis le cas de l'Isonzo) pour de mêmes surfaces réceptrices.

Dans le bassin de la Ness, la Garry, pour 389 km<sup>2</sup> a débité en 15 ans 71,7 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> sans doute plus que pour l'Arve à Chamonix (187 km<sup>2</sup>). Et dans le même bassin, l'émissaire du Loch Quoich pour 128 km<sup>2</sup> a évacué, de 1929 à 1944 au moins 88,7 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup>, et peut-être plus de 90. Ces exemples nous rappellent que les reliefs dominant de près les mers tièdes brassées par des courants chauds et d'où viennent puissamment et souvent les vents pluvieux n'ont pas besoin d'être hauts pour condenser des précipitations très fortes et donner lieu à des rivières surabondantes par leurs modules spécifiques.

## 2. — NORVÈGE

Le cas de la Norvège confirme ce principe de façon éclatante. Le relief atteint au Sud 2000 à 2500 mètres, et forme une muraille condensatrice souverainement efficace. Les chiffres cités dans notre mémoire précédent (p. 8-9) subissent en général une légère réduction en s'appliquant à 40 ans (1900-1940) au lieu de 30 (1900-1930). Mais ils conservent une puissance toujours à fait impressionnante. Le plus riche de ces cours d'eau, celui qui récemment encore tenait le premier rang dans nos registres à savoir le Norddalselv au Sud du Nordfjord débite, pour

(1) Nous appelons ainsi les chiffres obtenus après adjonctions aux débits réels, mesurés, des pertes dues au fait des irrigations, ou de dérivations diverses.

(2) Pour la plupart des rivières européennes, les modules arrêtés à 1950 ou à un millésime ultérieur sont un peu moindres que ceux qui n'englobaient point les chiffres faibles de 1942 à 1950.



83 km<sup>2</sup>, 188 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> (soit l'équivalent de 5 m 90 de précipitations annuelles) au lieu de 208 entre 1900 et 1930. Sans doute le chiffre tomberait-il à 160, pour 1900-1950, mais nous n'en sommes pas sûr. Nous n'avons point trouvé de documents pour le Riselev qui débitait 190 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 31,6 km<sup>2</sup> de 1900 à 1930.

Mais le Blaelv à Fjellhaugtwan juste à l'est du Hardangerfjord passe de 165 à 170 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 128 km<sup>2</sup> ce qui est formidable. Quelques autres bassins de dimensions analogues émettent plus de 100 ou de 120 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup>. Ces faits se révèlent dans une carte des modules spécifiques au 1/1.400.000. Les foyers d'émission des débits spécifiques énormes apparaissent à proximité de la mer là où la côte est tracée du Nord au Sud, au-dessous du 62° parallèle. Outre les deux zones déjà mentionnées, les massifs situés au Sud du Sognefjord émettent encore jusqu'à 120 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> et plus. Au nord, on trouve un peu plus de 100 seulement entre le 66° et le 67° parallèle, de chaque côté du Ränenfjord. Il est possible que les plus sensationnels de ces débits s'expliquent en partie par une diminution progressive des glaciers; mais nous doutons que l'alimentation exclusivement pluviale et nivale des rivières en question soit inférieure de plus de 10 ou, à la rigueur, de 20 % à celle que révèlent les chiffres présentés plus haut.

Enfin, bien que venant de *zones internes* protégées contre les vents d'Ouest, et moins arrosées que la façade, quelques rivières drainant d'assez grands bassins, comparables à ceux de l'Arve, ou de la Limmat offrent des débits supérieurs aux chiffres alpestres pour de mêmes surfaces réceptrices :

Sira à Flikkeid, 59,4 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 1920 km<sup>2</sup>.

Rana, à Reinfosshei, 59,1 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 3.113 km<sup>2</sup>.

Et l'on note maints chiffres relativement superbes : 60 à 80 ou 85 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup>, pour des bassins de 350 à 800 km<sup>2</sup> et plus (1).

### 3. — COTE OCCIDENTALE DU CANADA ET NORD-OCCIDENTALE DES ETATS-UNIS DU CÔTÉ DU PACIFIQUE

Et recherchant des conditions hydrométéorologiques et morphologique et des situations analogues, à savoir celles de régions montagneuses dressées au-dessus d'Océans tièdes, nous avons trouvé des débits annuels très opulents, là où nous les avons escomptés, dans les régions côtières de l'état de Washington et de l'Oregon nord-occidental aux Etats-Unis. Les chiffres dont nous disposons s'étendent maintenant jusqu'à 1953, au lieu de 1933 et 1934. Ils nous indiquent dans l'ensemble des valeurs un peu moindres que celles dont nous avons fait état (p. 6-7) dans notre précédent article, mais encore très grosses : en premier lieu, à l'extrémité occidentale des Monts Olympiens, pour la Hoh River à Spruce, 103 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 538 km<sup>2</sup>. Ce qui implique croyons-nous, au moins 150 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour certaines parties très arrosées de ce bassin et représentant 50 à 100 km<sup>2</sup> : Et un peu plus au Sud-Est, la Quinault, venant des mêmes montagnes témoigne d'une abondance encore supérieure avec 112 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 648 km<sup>2</sup>. Pour de telles surfaces réceptrices aucune rivière norvégienne n'offre un débit égal, il s'en faut même de beaucoup.

Puis les rivières norvégiennes paraissent à peu près égalées par la Sauk, laquelle a débité 63,7 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 1850 km<sup>2</sup>. Mais ce cours d'eau ne draine point les hauteurs les plus proches de l'Océan. Il dessert les Monts des Cascades à l'Est des Monts Olympiens, et donc sur son bassin le potentiel humide est déjà affaibli. Plus au Sud la Wilson et la Siletz desservent la chaîne côtière. La première débite 83,3 lit. sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 412 km<sup>2</sup>, et la seconde 86,5 pour 523 km<sup>2</sup>. Débits d'autant plus imposants que, depuis 15 ou 20 ans, les précipitations, dans cette zone paraissent avoir été moindres que les valeurs d'une longue période.

Au-dessous de ces latitudes, vers la Californie, l'abondance pluviale et fluviale diminue peu à peu. Mais au Nord, dans le Canada, vers Vancouver, elles doivent énormément se ren-

(1) Norges Vassdrags og Elektrisitetsvezen, Hydrografiske Undersøkelser I, Oslo, 1947, 21 × 30 221 p. très abondante illustration.



forcer. Et, de fait nous avons d'abord noté avant 1940, 146 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour la Nahmir à Vancouver (139 km<sup>2</sup>) et 172 pour 181 km<sup>2</sup> de la Stafford sur le continent tout près de l'Île. Mais voici sans doute mieux : d'octobre 1950 à septembre 1952, 274 km<sup>2</sup> de la Nascall ont débité 177 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup>, soit plus de 200, faut-il croire pour les 50 et les 100 lit. sec. par km<sup>2</sup> les plus arrosés. Et nous ne sommes pas du tout sûr que ces années aient connu des précipitations pléthoriques. Enfin, les parties montagneuses côtières, très déchiquetées par des golfes, des détroits, des fiords, qui s'étendent plus au Nord presque vers le 60° degré sont peut-être parcourues par des rivières mieux alimentées encore.

#### 4. — CHILI MÉRIDIONAL

Comme nous nous y attendions, les mêmes facteurs produisent les mêmes effets pour le Chili méridional, région étroite de montagnes et en certains secteurs, de collines, avant-pays, qui domine de près l'Océan d'où affluent au Sud du 38° parallèle, les masses d'air humides occidentales et tièdes, en contraste avec les conditions absolument désertiques qui régissent au nord du pays (1).

Déjà nous avons eu confirmation indirecte en constatant, presque avec stupeur, vers la latitude de Valdivia, en Argentine au-delà des Andes, et donc à contre-vent pluvieux, 50 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup>, chiffre magnifique pour 12000 km<sup>2</sup> du Limay : et 64 pour un affluent de celui-ci, le Chimehuin, à l'issue de 1011 km<sup>2</sup>. Ces valeurs et d'autres analogues avaient d'avance éteint ou atténué la surprise que nous aurions dû éprouver en recevant sur diverses rivières chiliennes des données précises fournies aimablement par l'ENDESA (2).

Déjà, avec 124 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 3690 km<sup>2</sup> (moyenne de 14 ans) le Rio San Pedro à Trafal (latitude 39°40') dans le bassin du Rio Valdivia, bat de beaucoup tous les records connus de nous, pour la même surface réceptrice. A bien réfléchir, sa performance égale ou dépasse celle du Rio Petrohué au débouché du Lac de Tous les Saints, à 41°15' de latitude : à savoir 144 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> en 14 ans, pour 1984 km<sup>2</sup> : L'écoulement correspondant est de 4544 millimètres ! Ce sont des chiffres qui nous auraient paru incroyables, il y a 20 ans, pour d'aussi grandes superficies. Songeons que pour un bassin de même étendue que celui de l'Arve là Genève, le Petrohué roule un débit spécifique trois fois et demi égal à celui de la rivière alpestre très réputée pour son abondance ! Enfin, un peu plus au Sud (latitude de 41°6' pour la station), le Rio Puelo, à Carrera de Basilio débite 78 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 8831 km<sup>2</sup> (1943-54). C'est plus de deux fois et demi le débit qu'a l'Isère pour 11.800 km<sup>2</sup>.

Nous ignorons si, dans le bassin du Puelo, certaines parties, pour 2000 et 3500 km<sup>2</sup>, émettent des débits comparables à ceux du Petrohué et du San Pedro. Mais nous soupçonnons que dans ces derniers domaines, quelques surfaces réceptrices de l'ordre de 50 à 100 km<sup>2</sup>, peuvent débiter 180 à 200 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> sinon plus. Et ce ne sont point des chiffres accrus indûment, si l'on considère le bilan moyen annuel précipitations-écoulements, par la diminution des réserves glaciaires. Ici, les glaciers n'existent point ou ne couvrent que des surfaces infimes. En effet nous constatons sur ces rivières des régimes pluviaux ou pluvio-nivaux avec maxima principaux ou uniques légèrement retardés par la traversée de lacs étendus. Pour ces régions, dans l'espace de 12 à 15 ans, les rétentions souterraines ou nivales ne peuvent plus perturber les valeurs essentielles des bilans.

Or, d'après certains indices, le flux pluvieux augmente encore plus au Sud, vers les latitudes de 43 à 46° pour lesquelles l'île Sud de la Nouvelle Zélande, comme on va le voir, est si formidablement arrosée dans sa partie côtière Sud-Occidentale. Il n'est donc point interdit de supposer que certains bassins de 2000 et de 6000 km<sup>2</sup> dans cette zone chilienne, débiteraient plus de 160 et de 100 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> respectivement, s'ils existaient. Mais au Sud du 42° degré

(1) Le Rio Pulido à Vertedero (28°) débite 0,87 lit. sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 2088 km<sup>2</sup>.

(2) Empresa nacional de Electricidad, 920, Ramon Niéto, Santiago. Ces chiffres nous ont été envoyés par Messieurs les Ingénieurs en chefs Renato SALAZAR et Reinaldo HARNECKER.



il n'y a plus pour eux de place, tout au moins pour ceux de plus de 1500 ou de 2000 km<sup>2</sup>. Car le continent s'effrite comme au Nord de Vancouver, en îles et presqu'îles et l'espace est dévoré par les détroits, les golfes, les fiords. Cependant, il en reste assez pour que les modules spécifiques de 180 à 200 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> et plus puissent s'appliquer à des surfaces de plusieurs centaines de km<sup>2</sup>. Mais cela ne se réalise que si les précipitations ont bien dans ces parages, où les reliefs condensateurs Nord-Sud ne manquent point, la puissance exorbitante qui ne nous paraît pas impossible.

Nous ignorons si ces débits sont les records du monde de l'abondance fluviale pour les surfaces considérées. Car nous ne connaissons point les modules de toutes les rivières côtières occidentales du Canada. Puis il y a la Nouvelle Zélande.

## 5. — NOUVELLE ZÉLANDE

Nous avons, en effet parié à coup sûr (pages 10 et 13 de notre précédent article) que l'île méridionale de ce dominion, prodigieusement arrosée sur toute la face nord-occidentale de la haute chaîne que borde de près presque partout l'Océan, offrait du même côté des rivières presque monstrueusement alimentées. Nous n'avons point la confirmation directe de cette surabondance. Mais pour le Sud-Est des montagnes, dans l'avant-pays, moyennement ou peu arrosé, à contre vent, nous repérons grâce à l'extrême obligeance de Mr. W.G. Newnham, Président du Soil Conservation and River Control Council, à Wellington, des chiffres aussi révélateurs que les débits du Limay ou de ses tributaires pour la région transandine, à l'Est des rivières chiliennes si pléthoriques. L'émissaire du Lac Wakatipu (latitude de 45°) roule 57 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 2980 km<sup>2</sup>, en un lieu où les précipitations annuelles n'atteignent déjà plus 1 mètre. A son débouché encore moins arrosé, vers le 44° degré, le lac Pukaki fournit 100 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 1354 km<sup>2</sup>, ce qui est relativement fantastique. Enfin le Lac Wanaka à mi-chemin entre le 44° et le 45° degré, envoie dans son exutoire le module aussi honorable, vue la surface drainée (2545 km<sup>2</sup>) de 83 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup>.

Or, à 120 kilomètres à l'Ouest exactement, à Milford Sound, la précipitation annuelle représente 6 m 43. Et l'excellent hydrilogue M. Ellis C. SCHNACKENBERG <sup>(1)</sup> ne juge pas du tout impossible que les chutes soient plus fortes. La chose nous paraît très probable, même si, comme nous le croyons, l'optimum pluvial, aussi près des cotes, se situe non pas à de grandes altitudes, vers les cimes, mais au-dessous de 2000 ou même de 1500 mètres. En tous cas, la carte des précipitations annuelles néo-zélandaises préparée par M.C.J. SEELYE <sup>(2)</sup> montre sur presque toute la longueur de la grande chaîne une bande de terrain large de 25 à 30 kilomètres, au Sud du 44° parallèle où les chutes d'eau dépassent 5 mètres.

De ce côté, à vrai dire, il n'y a pour ainsi dire point de place pour des bassins fluviaux autres qu'étriqués ou lacérés. Et même une notable partie de l'espace compris entre les plus hautes montagnes et la mer est, encore ici rongée par les fiords. Il ne reste donc que des surfaces réceptrices de quelques centaines, voire quelques dizaines de km<sup>2</sup> pour chaque cours d'eau. Cependant, peut-être 800 ou 1000 km<sup>2</sup> aboutissent à la rivière Hollyford près de Milford Sound. Malgré une certaine protection, à l'ouest contre les influences pluvieuses, il ne nous étonnerait point que ce bassin débite quelque 150 à 180 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> sinon plus. Mêmes suppositions pour la Haast-River, plus au Nord-Est (plus de 1000 km<sup>2</sup>). Mais sur la même cote, de petits cours d'eau amènent peut-être aux fiords, ou directement à l'Océan 200 à 225 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> ou plus.

<sup>(1)</sup> Dans une note dactylographiée non publiée.

<sup>(2)</sup> Maps of average rainfall in New-Zealand, New-Zealand Meteorological Service, Wellington 1945, 16 cartes en 1 brochure de 20 × 30 cm.

## 6. — RIVIÈRES TROPICALES ET INTERTROPICALES

Nous avons pensé autrefois que les cours d'eau les plus riches du monde, en abondance spécifique, étaient ceux que nourrissent certaines pluies intertropicales fameuses comme celles de Tcherrapoundji dans l'Assem (plus de 11 m 50 par an à la latitude de 25°3) et celles de Waialeale dans Hawaï (près de 12 mètres par an, vers le 20° degré). Cependant, les chiffres du Geological Survey, relatifs aux rivières d'Hawaï ne nous indiquent nulle part plus de 120 à 150 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour des bassins compris entre 10 et 20 km<sup>2</sup>.

A l'issue de surfaces réceptrices infimes, par contre, on aurait dans l'île de Maui des débits encore inconnus de nous pour tous autres lieux jusqu'à une date récente; par exemple 221 lit. sec. par km<sup>2</sup>, pour 1,815 km<sup>2</sup> (rivière West Waibuanui); et pour la «rivière» Alo 408 lit. sec. par km<sup>2</sup>, pour un peu plus de 0,5 km<sup>2</sup>. Ce débit, le record du monde de beaucoup à notre connaissance, correspond à 12 m 85 de pluies écoulées, soit à environ 14 mètres de pluies tombées. Mais est-il authentique ? Et la signification du module brut correspondant ne risque-t-elle point d'être faussée par des apports souterrains extérieurs, en une île où la perméabilité des terrains volcaniques peut se prêter à de telles supercheries <sup>(1)</sup>

Et nous nous demandions si de semblables phénomènes ne renforçaient point frauduleusement les modules spécifiques prodigieux que nous allons dire, et qui s'appliquent à deux petits cours d'eau de la Réunion, jaugés par les ingénieurs de la Section Hydrologique de l'O.R.S.T.O.M. (Office de la Recherche Scientifique et Technique d'Outre Mer) sous la savante et dynamique direction de M. Jean RODIER.

On aurait donc eu, en 7 ans, 293 lit.sec. par km<sup>2</sup> pour 20,5 km<sup>2</sup> de la Rivière des Roches, et 298 pour un affluent, la Rivière du Grand Bras, de 1951 à 1954, à l'issue de 7,6 km<sup>2</sup>. Et rien ne nous prouve que la pluviosité des années en question aurait été excessive. On aurait plutôt des indices du contraire. Cependant, une partie notable des volumes liquides annuels consiste en crues très fréquentes, souvent démesurées, et qui auraient par exemple roulé jusqu'à 750 mc. (pour 20,5 km<sup>2</sup>) sur la Rivière des Roches. Les débits supérieurs à 50 ou 70 mc. sont là chiffres peu courants.

Mais l'Annuaire hydrologique de 1957 supprime en grande partie notre enthousiasme en nous présentant des surfaces réceptrices augmentées; 24,4 et 8,9 km<sup>2</sup>. De ce fait les modules en question tombent respectivement à 247 et 242 lit./sec. par km<sup>2</sup>.

(1) Ils peuvent affaiblir aussi beaucoup certains écoulements apparents, au détriment de l'opinion qu'on devrait avoir sur l'abondance spécifique. Puis pour beaucoup de petits bassins des îles Hawaï, on donne les débits bruts mais point les surfaces.



# THE MECHANISM OF LONGITUDINAL DIFFUSION IN A TIDAL RIVER

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## ABSTRACT

The intrusion of seawater in a tidal river is treated as a diffusion problem, characterized by a coefficient of longitudinal diffusivity.

In order to analyse the longitudinal diffusivity, a mathematical model is set up, consisting of two bodies of water, either one besides the other or one on top of the other. The two bodies are assumed to move relatively to each other, as a secondary effect of the tidal flow. It is moreover assumed that there is turbulent exchange of salt between the bodies.

It is demonstrated that the diffusion of salt into the river is greatest for an optimum value of the coefficient of exchange between the two bodies.

Exchange weaker or stronger than this optimum both diminish the salt intrusion.

The theory is applied to the Rotterdam Waterway, for which estimates of the exchange are made. Estimation of the reduction of the turbulence by stratification and hence of the vertical exchange, shows that the observed strong intrusion is explainable.

Intensified vertical mixing, for instance as provoked by compressed air, need not always result in less intrusion, and hence should be considered carefully.

## RÉSUMÉ

La pénétration de l'eau de mer dans une rivière à marée est traitée comme un problème de diffusion caractérisé par un coefficient de diffusion longitudinal.

Afin d'analyser la diffusion longitudinale, un modèle mathématique est établi, consistant en deux masses d'eau, soit l'une près de l'autre, soit l'une au-dessus de l'autre. Les deux masses sont supposées se déplacer l'une par rapport à l'autre comme effet du courant de marée. On suppose de plus qu'il existe un échange turbulent de sel entre les deux masses.

On démontre que la diffusion de sel dans la rivière est la plus grande pour une valeur optimum du coefficient d'échange entre les deux masses.

Des échanges plus faibles ou plus intenses que cet optimum diminuent la pénétration de sel.

La théorie est appliquée au Canal reliant Rotterdam à la Mer pour lequel des estimations de l'échange sont faites. L'estimation de la réduction de la turbulence par stratification et par suite de l'échange vertical, montre que la forte pénétration observée est explicable.

Un mélange vertical intensifié, par exemple par introduction d'air comprimé, ne conduit pas nécessairement à une réduction de la pénétration de sel et doit par conséquent être considérée avec attention.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In a tidal river the mean distribution of the salinity is determined by the equilibrium of the intrusion of the salt from the sea with the expulsive action of the fresh water discharge. A simple mathematical model of this equilibrium is obtained as follows:

The transport of salt is composed of an advective part and a part caused by diffusion.

The mean advective transport through a cross-section of the tidal river is the product of the mean salt concentration  $\bar{z}$  in that cross-section and the fresh water discharge  $Q_0$ . Here we understand by the mean concentration the average over one tidal period. The transport  $Q_0\bar{z}$  is towards the sea.

The mean diffusive transport is more difficult to formulate. It is clear, however, that the general tendency is a transport from higher to lower mean concentrations. Hence we may account for this transport by putting it proportional to the gradient of the mean concentration:

$$\mathcal{A} \mathcal{D} \frac{d\bar{z}}{dx}$$

Here  $x$  is the coordinate along the river; the positive  $x$ -axis is directed towards the sea. Furthermore  $\mathcal{A}$  is the mean area of the cross-section and  $\mathcal{D}$  is the longitudinal diffusivity. The mean diffusive transport is in the direction from the sea, up the river.

When the mean distribution is in equilibrium, the two transports must cancel each other:

$$(1) \quad Q_0 \bar{z} = \mathcal{A} \mathcal{D} \frac{d\bar{z}}{dx}.$$

When we assume that  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  are known as functions of  $x$ , this equation can be solved, when the mean concentration in one cross-section is known, say  $\bar{z}_0$  for  $x = x_0$ . Then

$$(2) \quad \bar{z}(x) = \bar{z}_0 \exp -Q_0 \int_x^{x_0} \frac{dx}{\mathcal{A}(x) \mathcal{D}(x)}.$$

We have now to consider more closely the longitudinal diffusivity  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Observed salt distributions in rivers indicate that longitudinal diffusivity is much greater than diffusivities found in the field of turbulence provoked by the bottom friction. Hence we must consider other patterns of mixing movements.

Diffusivity can generally be described as the product of a mixing path and a mixing velocity. Now Arons and Stommel have related the longitudinal diffusion to the tidal movement, by putting the mixing path proportional to the tidal excursion path  $2\hat{x}$ , and the mixing velocity proportional to the tidal velocity amplitude  $\hat{v}$ :

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{D} = 2\lambda \hat{x} \hat{v}.$$

Here  $\lambda$  is a parameter depending on further characteristics of the tidal regime.

The present paper aims at penetrating somewhat deeper into these tidal mixing movements.

## 2. TIDAL MIXING MOVEMENTS

The tidal motion in a river consists primarily of shifting of the body of water alternatively up and down the river and compressing and expanding of this body alternatively. The shifting motion is observed as a tidal current, whereas the compressions and expansions are revealed by the rising and falling of the water surface.

These primary movements can not produce any mixing.

Attending these primary movements however, secondary movements are possible, by which mixing and diffusive intrusion may be provoked.

Diffusive intrusion may for instance result from the presence of such basins as harbours, communicating with the river. The diffusion mechanism can be explained as follows:

When the river is more saline than the basin, density currents through the entrance of the basin will be set up, so that the salter river water enters the basin, whereas the relatively fresh water is expelled to the river. This results in a net transport of salt from the river to the basin.



In a similar way there will be a net transport of salt from the basin to the river, when the basin is more saline than the river.

Now the salinity of the river will be highest near the end of the flood and lowest near the end of the ebb. Hence the basin will take up salt from the river during an interval of time about the end of the flood, and it will render this salt again during an interval of time about the end of the ebb.

When we consider the salt taken up at the end of one flood period, this salt is stored in the basin during the following ebb. Then it joins again the waterbody in the river and during the next flood it is transported up the river.

Hence, during one tidal period, the quantity of salt considered appears to have undergone an upward displacement along the river.

This diffusive intrusion apparently results from the combination of firstly a relative motion of the waterbody in the river and the water body in the basin, and secondly the exchange of salt between these two waterbodies in the direction of the salinity gradient.

Apart from density currents, the requisite exchange may also be obtained by the flood and ebb currents in the entrance of the basin, provided there is a sufficient phase lag between these currents and the tidal currents in the river.

A similar diffusive mechanism is formed by the relative motion of the waterbody along the axis of the channel and the more slowly moving water masses near the shores. There is exchange between the two bodies as a result of lateral diffusion.

In many rivermouths the fresh water flows to sea over a salt water wedge intruding from the sea on the bottom of the river. The tidal motion of the salt layer is different from that of the fresh layer.

When there is mixing between the two layers, salt will penetrate into the river water so that this water gradually becomes more saline when it approaches the sea.

When the layers have an oscillating relative motion, the intensity of the exchange between the layers also oscillates. The variations in this exchange combined with the relative oscillating motion of the layers, further increases the intrusion of salt.

In order to investigate these intrusion mechanisms more thoroughly, we shall set up the mathematical model of a system of two bodies of water stretched along the river, subjected to different movements, with different salinities, and with exchange of salt between them.

### 3. EQUATIONS OF A SYSTEM OF TWO MOVING STRIPS

We simplify the problem by dividing the river water into two bodies or strips with cross-sections  $\mathcal{A}_a$  and  $\mathcal{A}_b$  respectively. The first strip may have the velocity  $v_a$  and the second strip the velocity  $v_b$ . The average concentration in the first strip be  $z_a$  and in the second strip  $z_b$ .

For both strips we can set up a continuity equation of the salt. This equation takes the form

$$(4) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(v_a \mathcal{A}_a z_a) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\mathcal{A}_a z_a) + \mathcal{E} = 0$$

for the first strip. Here  $\mathcal{E}$  is the transport of salt from the first to the second strip, per unit time and per unit length of the river.

An equation analogous to (4) is valid for the second strip.

We shall assume that, in addition to the movement of the bodies, there is also turbulence provoking diffusion of salt from one body to the other. Let there be a transition zone between the bodies with a thickness  $a$ , so that

$$\frac{z_a - z_b}{a}$$

is a fair estimate of the salinity gradient in the transition zone. Then

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{D}_t b \frac{z_a - z_b}{a},$$

when  $\mathcal{D}_t$  is the diffusivity for transverse diffusion through the transition zone. The cross-section of the transition zone =  $ba$ .

When the strips represent two lanes separated by a vertical plane,  $b$  denotes the depth of the river and  $a$  is the width of the transition zone, whereas  $\mathcal{D}_t$  stands for the horizontal cross-diffusivity.

When the strips represent two layers separated by a horizontal plane,  $b$  denotes the width of the river and  $a$  is the height of the transition zone, whereas  $\mathcal{D}_t$  then stands for the vertical diffusivity.

In order to focus our attention on the more important aspects of the problem, we look apart from the variations of  $\mathcal{A}_a$  or  $\mathcal{A}_b$  with  $x$  and  $t$  and also from the variations of  $v_a$  or  $v_b$  with  $x$ .

Then we obtain the two equations

$$(5) \quad v_a \frac{\partial z_a}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z_a}{\partial t} + \frac{\mathcal{A}_b}{\mathcal{A}} a(z_a - z_b) = 0$$

$$(6) \quad v_b \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z_b}{\partial t} + \frac{\mathcal{A}_a}{\mathcal{A}} a(z_b - z_a) = 0,$$

where

$$(7) \quad a = \frac{\mathcal{D}_t b}{a} \frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{A}_a \mathcal{A}_b},$$

when  $\mathcal{A}$  denotes  $\mathcal{A}_a + \mathcal{A}_b$ .

The physical meaning of  $a$  becomes clear when we consider the case that  $z_a$  and  $z_b$  are independent of  $x$ . Then subtracting (6) from (5) yields

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(z_a - z_b) + a(z_a - z_b) = 0,$$

with the solution

$$z_a - z_b = \mathcal{C} e^{-at}$$

Hence  $1/a$  is the time constant of the exchange of salt between the two strips.

By introducing the mean concentration  $z$  and half the concentration difference  $y$ ,

$$x = \frac{\mathcal{A}_a z_a + \mathcal{A}_b z_b}{\mathcal{A}} \quad \text{and} \quad y = \frac{z_a - z_b}{2}$$

we can derive from (5) and (6)

$$(7) \quad v \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + u' \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$(8) \quad v' \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + u \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} + ay = 0,$$

where

$$v = \frac{\mathcal{A}_a v_a + \mathcal{A}_b v_b}{\mathcal{A}}; \quad u = \frac{v_a - v_b}{2};$$

$$v' = \frac{\mathcal{A}_b v_b + \mathcal{A}_a v_a}{\mathcal{A}}; \quad u' = \frac{4\mathcal{A}_a \mathcal{A}_b}{\mathcal{A}^2} u.$$



## 7. DIFFUSION BY UNIFORMLY MOVING STRIPS

When  $v_a$  and  $v_b$  are constant, solutions of (7) and (8) can be found, for which  $z$  and  $y$  are independent of  $t$ . These solutions represent the permanent distributions in a system of two uniformly moving strips.

By integration of (7) we find that the total transport of salt,

$$\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{A}_a v_a z_a + \mathcal{A}_b v_b z_b = \mathcal{A}(vz + u'y),$$

in this case must be constant:

$$(9) \quad \mathcal{A}(vz + u'y) = \mathcal{T} = \text{constant}.$$

Eliminating  $y$  from (9) and (8) and integrating then yields

$$(10) \quad z = \frac{\mathcal{T}}{\mathcal{A}v} + \mathcal{C} \exp \frac{\alpha x}{uu' - vv'}$$

More in particular we have

$$(11) \quad z = \mathcal{C} \exp \frac{\alpha x}{uu' - vv'}$$

when the total transport is zero, as we may assume in case of a river discharge of purely fresh water.

Comparing the solution (11) with the solution (11) shows that the longitudinal diffusivity in this case may be defined by

$$(12) \quad \mathcal{D} = \frac{uu' - vv'}{\alpha} = \frac{-v_a v_b}{\alpha}.$$

When it is assumed that the strips move in opposite directions  $v_a$  and  $v_b$  have different signs and  $\mathcal{D}$  is positive, as to be expected.

A somewhat more convincing demonstration of the diffusive character of the two strips mechanism can be given by the following example:

Essential for the diffusive property is the relative motion of the strips and the exchange between them. Therefore we now confine ourselves to the case that both strips move with the velocity  $u$ , in opposite directions, and that  $\mathcal{A}_a = \mathcal{A}_b$ . Then  $v = v' = 0$  and  $u' = u$ .

Elimination of  $y$  from (7) and (8) yields

$$(13) \quad \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\alpha}{u^2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{u^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = 0.$$

For slowly varying distributions we might suppose that the second derivative with respect to  $t$  would be negligible, so that (13) reduces to

$$(14) \quad \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\alpha}{u^2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$$

On the other hand the equation for diffusion in a one-dimensional medium is

$$(15) \quad \mathcal{D} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial t},$$

so that comparison of (14) and (15) leads to the presumption that the system of the two strips approaches more or less the behaviour of a medium with a diffusivity

$$(16) \quad \mathcal{D} = \frac{u^2}{\alpha}.$$

This presumption is supported by considering the exact solution of (13) for the distribution resulting from releasing a quantity of salt  $\mathcal{C}$  in the instant  $t = 0$  at  $x = 0$ . Hence we may put

$$z = \frac{\mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A}} \delta(x) \text{ and } y = 0 \text{ for } t = 0,$$

when  $\delta(x)$  denotes Dirac's impulse function.

For these initial conditions (13) can be solved in terms of Bessel functions (ref. 3). The asymptotic expansion of this exact solution, for larger  $t$ , is

$$(17) \quad z = \frac{\mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{A}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{4\pi u^2 t}} \exp - \frac{ax^2}{4u^2 t},$$

which is just the solution of (15) for the same initial conditions, provided we adopt (16).

This indicates that the mechanism of the two moving strips diffuses in a similar way as a medium obeying an equation like (15). Especially the later stages of the history of a distribution are almost equal.

It is to be observed that the effective longitudinal diffusion is inverse proportional to  $\mathcal{G}_t$  and hence to  $\mathcal{G}_t$  (cf. (7)). Hence a small transverse diffusivity is favourable to create a large longitudinal diffusivity. This can be explained as follows:

As we saw in section 3, the time constant of the exchange between the strips is  $1/a$ . Hence quantities of salt picked up by one strip from the other and rendered back some time afterwards, have a mean sojourn time of the order of  $1/a$ . During this mean sojourn time the strips are displaced relatively by a distance of the order  $u/a$ , so that we may introduce

$$l = \frac{u}{a}$$

as a mixing path of the longitudinal diffusion. Then

$$\mathcal{D} = lu$$

takes the orthodox form of a diffusivity as the product of the mixing length  $l$  and the mixing velocity  $u$ .

It is now clear that, when the exchange diminishes, the sojourns are prolonged and hence the mixing length and the diffusivity increase.

## 5. DIFFUSION BY STRIPS MOVING PERIODICALLY

We shall now confine ourselves to the case that  $A_a = A_b$  and hence  $v' = v$  and  $u' = u$ .

In order to account for the tidal motion, we suppose that  $v$  and  $u$  are periodic functions of the time:

$$(18) \quad v = v_0 + \hat{v} \cos \omega t$$

$$(19) \quad u = u_0 + \hat{u} \cos (\omega t + \varphi).$$

Then  $z$  and  $y$  will likewise be periodic functions of the time, which can be expanded by fourier series:

$$(20) \quad z = z_0 + z_1 e^{i\omega t} + z_{-1} e^{-i\omega t} + z_2 e^{2i\omega t} + \dots$$

$$(21) \quad y = y_0 + y_1 e^{i\omega t} + y_{-1} e^{-i\omega t} + \dots$$

where  $z_0, y_0, z_1$  etc. are functions of  $x$ . The coefficients  $z_0$  and  $y_0$  are real. The other coefficients are complex;  $z_n$  and  $z_{-n}$  are conjugated, like  $y_n$  and  $y_{-n}$ .

By a well-known procedure (ref. 3) we can deduce from (7) and (8) a series of simultaneous differential equations in the functions  $z_0, y_0$  etc. of the form

$$\begin{aligned} 2) \quad & i\omega n z_n + \hat{v}_0 z'_n + \frac{1}{2} \hat{v} z'_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{v} z'_{n+1} \\ & + u_0 y'_n + \frac{1}{2} \hat{u} e^{i\varphi} y'_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{u} e^{-i\varphi} y'_{n+1} = 0, \\ 3) \quad & i\omega n y_n + v_0 y'_n + \frac{1}{2} \hat{v} y'_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{v} y'_{n+1} \\ & + u_0 z'_n + \frac{1}{2} \hat{u} e^{i\varphi} z'_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{u} e^{-i\varphi} z'_{n+1} + \alpha y_n = 0. \end{aligned}$$

where  $n$  assumes all the integral values, positive and negative. Accents denote differentiations with respect to  $x$ .

In order to obtain a tractable result, we neglect in (20) and (21) the terms with exponents  $0, 3\omega$ , etc. The six functions  $z_0, y_0, z_1, y_1, z_{-1}$  and  $y_{-1}$  are then defined by six linear equations obtained by substituting  $n = 1, 0, -1$  in (22) and in (23).

We pursue the solution in terms of exponential functions

$$\begin{aligned} z_0 &= \mathcal{C}_0 e^{kx} \\ z_1 &= \mathcal{C}_1 e^{kx} \end{aligned}$$

We then arrive at a characteristic equation in  $k$  of the fifth degree.

The smallest root  $k$  of this quintic is the most interesting for our purpose, since this root defines the asymptotic behaviour of  $z_0, y_0$  etc. for  $x$  tending to minus infinity, i.e. for going up the river.

In order to obtain a discussable result we shall admit some simplifications.

We shall investigate the diffusion in relation to a coordinate system of which the origin follows the mean tidal motion. Then  $\hat{v} = 0$ .

The influence of a permanent relative motion has been discussed already in section 4. Hence we shall now put  $u_0 = 0$ .

Then, for small  $v_0/\hat{u}$ , the approximation

$$24) \quad z_0 \approx \mathcal{C}_0 \exp \frac{2v_0}{u^2} \frac{\alpha^2 + \omega^2}{\alpha}$$

is valid, for the distribution of the mean salinity  $z_0$  along the river.

Comparison with (2) shows that the longitudinal diffusivity can now be defined by

$$\mathcal{D} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{u}^2 \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \omega^2}$$

For values of  $\alpha$  great compared to  $\omega$ , we have approximately

$$\mathcal{D} \approx \frac{1}{2} \hat{u}^2 / \alpha.$$

This is the same expression as (16) if we substitute the effective oscillatory velocity  $\hat{u}/\sqrt{2}$  for  $u$ .

Resolving  $\mathcal{D}$  into a mixing length and a mixing velocity, as in the preceding section, we may put

$$(26) \quad l = \frac{\hat{u}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \omega^2}.$$



This mixing length varies approximately inverse proportional to  $\alpha$  for great  $\alpha$  compared to  $\omega$  and approximately direct proportional for small  $\alpha$  and it attains a maximum value

$$(27) \quad l_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{u} / \omega \sqrt{2} = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{2} \mathcal{L}$$

when  $\alpha = \omega$ . Here  $\mathcal{L} = 2\hat{u}/\omega$  is the relative tidal excursion path.

In order to explain this result we have to bear in mind that the mixing length depends on the time of sojourn of salt masses in one of the strips. When  $\alpha \gg \omega$  the mean time of sojourn is small compared to the tidal period, whereas for  $\alpha \ll \omega$  the time of sojourn is much greater.

Now it is clear that, as long as the time of sojourn is much shorter than the tidal period, increasing of the time of sojourn results in greater relative displacements of parcels of salt. These displacements, however, can at most be equal to the relative tidal excursion path, when the time of sojourn is just one half tidal period. For greater times of sojourn the relative displacements become less again.

Hence, when the mean time of sojourn approaches the tidal period, the mixing length tends to a maximum, which is a definite fraction of the relative tidal excursion path, as defined by (27).

When the average time of sojourn is much greater than the tidal period, the effective displacements become less again and the mixing length, which is an average of these displacements, decreases.

## 6. LONGITUDINAL DIFFUSION IN THE ROTTERDAM WATERWAY

Through the Rotterdam Waterway the discharges of the rivers Nieuwe Maas and Oude Maas are carried to the North Sea and meanwhile the sea water can intrude these rivers.

The salinity distributions in this river system have been investigated by applying the mathematical model of section 1 to the available observations. The results of this investigation are published elsewhere (ref. 4). Here we shall try to use the observational evidence to explore the mechanism of diffusion.

Although observations of the three rivers are available, the most appropriate data for our present purpose refer to the lower Waterway, between the confluence of the Oude and Nieuwe Maas and the sea. This river forms a rather regular channel with only some small harbour basins communicating with it.

There is a rather strong stratification in this river and at the beginning of the flood current period the upper fresh water layers and the lower sea water layers have appreciably different motions.

There also exist transverse gradients of salinity and velocity.

Hence it appears that relative motions of layers, as well as that of lanes, should account predominantly for the longitudinal diffusion in this river.

The diffusivity could be estimated from the observations, and amounted to about  $80 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  on the average, with a significant increase with increasing tidal range, viz. about proportional to this range.

Now we infer from (25) that the longitudinal diffusivity  $\mathcal{D}$  is proportional to the square of the relative tidal velocity amplitude  $\hat{u}$ . It is to be expected that  $\hat{u}$  increases when the tidal range increases, but it is likely that  $\hat{u}$  is less than proportional to the tidal range, mainly because a stronger tidal motion produces greater mixing, so that the density differences, driving the relative motion, decrease.

Hence a variation of  $\mathcal{D}$  proportional with the range seems plausible.

Quantitatively (25) can not yet account sufficiently for the observed diffusivity. Let for instance  $\hat{u}$  be  $0.2 \text{ m/s}$ . Then  $\mathcal{D}$  becomes about  $150 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  for  $\omega = 0.14 \text{ mrad/s}$ , which is still some 5 times less than the observed value.

Now (25) accounts only for the diffusive effect of the oscillatory relative motion. In fact there is also some permanent relative motion, as discussed in section 4.

Moreover there is the obvious limitation to (25), that we schematized the river as consisting of only two bodies of water. In fact there are a multitude of relative motions, not only as superimposed layers, but also as juxtaposed lanes.

By applying the method of section 4 to systems of three or more strips, it is found that such a subdividing may yield several times greater values for the longitudinal diffusivity.

It was assumed above, that  $\alpha$  is approximately equal to  $\omega$ . This has still to be verified.

When we consider the shear motion associated with the vertical velocity distribution, we may schematize by two layers, between which salt may be exchanged by the turbulence generated by friction at the bottom.

In weakly stratified flow we can define  $\mathcal{D}_t$  by

$$\mathcal{D}_t = l^2 \frac{dv}{dz},$$

where  $l$  is the mixing length and  $dv/dz$  the vertical gradient of the horizontal velocity. Adopting Bakmeteff's expression for  $l$  together with the exponential velocity distribution, we obtain at mid-depth

$$\mathcal{D}_t = \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{K} . d . v_*$$

where  $\mathcal{K}$  is von Karman's coefficient ( $\approx 0.4$ ),  $d$  the depth and  $v_*$  the friction velocity.

Then, by (7), where we put  $\mathcal{A}_a = \mathcal{A}_b = a$ ,  $b = \frac{1}{2} d$ , we arrive at

$$a = 2 \mathcal{K} \frac{v_*}{d}.$$

With e.g.  $v_* = 0.15$  m/s and  $d = 12$  m this yields about  $a = 0.01$ , that is about 70 times  $\omega$ . Then according to (25) we would obtain a longitudinal diffusivity of a few  $\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ .

However, the stratification in the Waterway is so marked, that the vertical diffusivity  $\mathcal{D}_t$  is much less than it would be in unstratified flow. As far as we know, the reduction in  $\mathcal{D}_t$  may quite well be so great as to make  $a$  approximately equal to  $\omega$ .

Altogether the observed longitudinal diffusivity seems well explainable as the result of a combination of mixing movements resulting from tidal entrainment and density differences.

The formula (25) casts a clarifying light on the method of salt repulsion by artificially increased mixing.

The basic idea of this method is to prevent salt intrusion by mixing the intruding sea water with the outflowing fresh water, for instance by means of an air bubble screen.

Formula (25) shows, however, that the method will not always be successful.

Intensified mixing generally increases  $a$ . Now, when  $a \gg \omega$ , the diffusion decreases when  $a$  becomes greater. But, when  $a \ll \omega$ , an increase of  $a$  results in a greater diffusion. When  $a \approx \omega$ , an appreciable decrease of the diffusion can only be obtained by a rather great increase of  $a$ .

When our presumption, that in the lower Waterway  $a$  is of the same order as  $\omega$ , is right, the effect of an artificially increased mixing is uncertain.

Further up the river the influence of the stratification diminishes. However, in that region, and in particular in the Nieuwe Maas, mixing by harbour basins becomes important. This mechanism has not yet been studied in more detail.

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# LAWS OF THE FORMATION OF MINIMUM STREAM FLOW

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In the U.S.S.R. the concept of minimum flow includes various characteristics of low stream flow (absolute minimums, daily and monthly values of minimum flow for each year separately for winter and summer, normal values of daily and monthly minimum flow). Minimum flow is an important element of the hydrologic regime of a river.

The knowledge of the nature of minimum stream flow is founded on establishing the laws of stream-flow derived from ground water sources («base flow») in connection with the physiography of the territory. The presence of genetic connection between minimum stream flow and base flow is determined by the fact that minimum stream flow is to be observed at the time of low water when rivers are fed by base flow. Thus, base flow is the decisive factor in the formation of minimum flow. The conditions of base flow and its intensity are determined by the characteristics of the regime of ground water as well as by the character of the inter-relation of the latter with river water. Therefore, in respect of establishing laws of the formation of minimum stream flow in the U.S.S.R., of great importance are investigations conducted by Soviet hydrogeologists who, proceeding from the concept of geographical zonality of natural phenomena, have established a series of general laws of ground water formation in their inter-relation with river waters.

It is known that the external manifestation of the geographical zonality law is to be observed in a regular character of distribution over the Earth's surface of thermal conditions, precipitation, soil and vegetal cover, as well as of other elements of the landscape which, being inter-related, combine to create latitudinal (geographical) zones; closely associated with this combination of physiographical components is the distribution over the territory of the conditions of ground-water formation.

This association is to be explained by the fact that the water in the upper layers of the earth's crust, being an integral element of the geographical landscape, is affected by all processes taking place on the earth's surface. The intensity of the effect, naturally, decreases with depth: the easiest exchange and the closest interaction with the processes on the earth's surface are characteristic for the waters of the so-called «active water-exchange zone», i.e. waters occurring at the base level of rivers or above, among which ground water is singled out as the main source of feeding the rivers.

Geographical zonality also influences the character of the vertical distribution of underground water accumulations in the earth's crust, which varies with the character of the influence of the geographical complex in various geographical zones, as the depth of the occurrence of various types of ground water changes in accordance with the changing geographical zones.

Laws associated with the geographical zonality of natural phenomena served as a scientific basis for developing a principal scheme of ground water regions (B.L. Lichkov, 1933) and compiling ground-water maps (V.S. Ilyin, 1925; O.K. Lange, 1947).

A series of existing summaries of regional hydrogeological division for separate areas of the U.S.S.R. reflect to a certain degree such characteristics of ground water regime as are associated with the geographical features of the territory.

Developing B.L. Lichkov's conceptions of the laws of hydrodynamic separation of ground waters, F.A. Makarenko (1948) has identified three well-pronounced vertical zones of ground water flow:



(1) upper zone of active flow, whose geographical zonality coincides with climatic belts. The lower boundary of this zone coincides with the local base levels of rivers;

(2) medium zone of delayed flow, subject to lesser climatic effect but also geographically zonal. The lower boundary of this zone is the base level of large rivers.

(3) lower zone (of relatively stagnant water), geographically azonal and lying below the base level of large stream systems.

The established laws of ground-water formation offer a basis for studying the genetic characteristics of minimum flow.

Hydrological investigations in which the genesis of minimum flow was considered with due regard for base flow, have revealed a series of laws in the formation of low (minimum) flow.

M.P. Raspopov (1950), using the general principles of the classification of ground water occurring in the zone of active water-exchange (B.L. Lichkov, F.A. Makarenko, B.I. Kondratenko), obtained more exact data on the regime characteristics of ground water flow into streams with reference to the plain territory of the European part of the U.S.S.R. He assumed that two principal types of water of the active water-exchange zone play the predominant role in the ground water flow into streams on the afore-mentioned territory, viz.:

(a) upper ground water occurring in the confining layer closest to the surface. This water is subject to intensive climatic influence and reflects its annual variation, which makes this type of river feeding relatively unstable;

(b) deep, ground water, i.e. water free from head or with local head, occurring below the first aquiclude, at the local base levels or above them. The regime of flow of this type of water into streams is usually determined by long-term cycles of climatic effect on the accumulations and regime of ground water, conforming to which is the stability of variations of its supplies.

Of lesser importance in river feeding are temporary accumulations of ground water in the aeration zone, such as temporary perched water, subsoil water as well as water in the zone of delayed flow encountered as deep artesian-type water.

Thus, the regime of base flow varies with the character of ground occurrence. The proportions of different varieties of ground water flow in the feeding of rivers also vary with territory in accordance with the changing geographical zones.

In establishing a division of the European part of the U.S.S.R. into regions according to the conditions of ground water flow into rivers, M.P. Raspopov determined four latitudinal zones differing as to character of drainage, viz.:

(1) zone of predominant drainage by rivers of upper ground water, comprising geographical zones of tundra and forest (northern part), marked by conditions of excessive moisture supply;

(2) zone of abundant drainage of upper and deep ground water, coinciding with the sub-zone of southern forests and partially with the forest-steppe zone, marked by conditions of sufficient and unstable moisture supply;

(3) zone of drainage of predominantly deep ground water roughly coinciding with the steppe zone and marked by conditions of unstable and insufficient moisture supply;

(4) zone of impeded ground water flow, coinciding with the zone of extreme aridity (semi-desert), where with ground water occurring at a great depth and with a scarcity of river valleys the subsurface flow into streams is usually excluded.

A.M. Norvatov (1950), who investigated conditions of minimum flow formation in connection with base flow, has developed a principal scheme of divisional distribution of minimum flow values for small rivers by defining regions characterized by the same type of conditions of flow formation.

In analysing conditions of minimum flow formation, and proceeding from the assumption that in accordance with the principal laws of the conditions of formation of dynamic supplies of ground water, the rate of stream-flow in low water periods genetically connected with the latter in its distribution over the territory, likewise obeys the law of geographical zonality.

The character of variations of minimum flow values under the influence of latitudinal geographical zonality may be judged by comparing the tabulated mean values of minimum daily flow in summer for latitudinal geographical zones in the plain territory of the European part of the U.S.S.R. (Table 1).

TABLE 1

*Distribution of Mean Daily Rates of Minimum Flow in Summer for Various River Basin Areas*  
(After A.M. Norvatov)

Geographical zone	Geographical latitude*	Discharge in sec/1 per km <sup>2</sup> for basin areas of sq.km.			Note
		5000	3000	1000	
Zone of tundra and forest zone (taiga)	62-58°	2.7-1.0	2.0-0.7	0.9-0.4	Corresponds predominantly to drainage of upper ground water.
Forest zone (mixed forest)	58-54°	1.0-0.5	0.7-0.4	0.4-0.2	Corresponds to zones of upper and deep ground water drainage
Steppe zone	54-50°	0.5-0.2	0.4-0.2	0.2-0.0	Corresponds to zones of drainage of predominantly deep ground water
Semi-desert zone	50-46°	0.2-0.0	0.1-0.0	0.0..	Corresponds to zones of impeded flow into streams

\* at 50° E.L.

As the same time the rate of stream-flow in low water periods, i.e. the mean value of the minimum flow expressed by a specific index (discharge in sec/1 per km<sup>2</sup>), within a geographical drainage zone varies for various particular regions under the influence of regional and azonal conditions.

Intrazonal deviations of the rate of stream-flow in low water periods from its zonal-geographical value are primarily determined by:

(a) peculiarities of aquifers and underground water accumulations (supplies, thickness and water-yield of layers) determined by regional hydrological conditions;

(b) draining capacity of the river which is determined by the depth of the river-bed erosion cut and the height of ground water accumulations in relation to the sites of discharge (river bed), which is connected with the geomorphological conditions of the territory.

Moreover, the rate of minimum flow for some water bodies may be substantially affected by local factors, such as the regulating influence of lakes, egress of deep ground water, Karst phenomena, etc., which cannot always be taken into account quantitatively due to the shortage of data concerning them.

With qualitative uniformity of the territory as regards hydrogeological conditions and water supply provided by ground water, quantitative differences in the rate of minimum flow of various rivers are determined by one of the most important elements of the draining capacity of a river, i.e. the depth of the erosion cut of its valley. The established relationship between the rate of minimum stream flow and the depth of the erosion cut, as determined by the actual data of specific regions (forest-steppe and forest zones of the European part of the U.S.S.R.), manifests itself in the fact that within relatively uniform hydrological regions minimum discharge in second-litre per square kilometre increases in proportion to the depth of the erosion cut (Fig.1). Such a relationship is valid only for a certain range of river basin areas (small rivers) which is not to be regarded as the same for all regions.

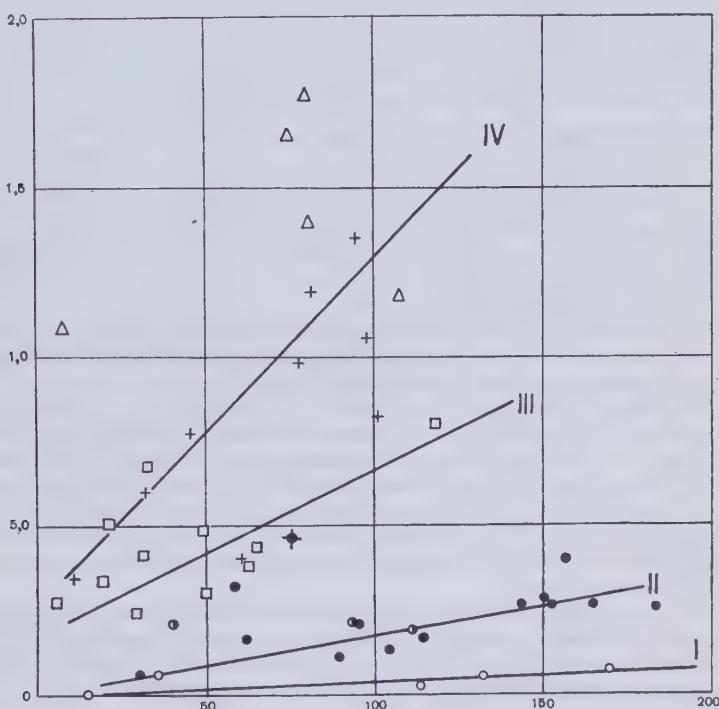


Fig. 1 — Relationship between mean minimum monthly discharge in sec/l par  $\text{km}^2$  and depth of erosion cut in various hydrogeological conditions.

- I — Quaternary deposits,
  - II — Sands and sandstones of paleogene,
  - III — cretaceous deposits,
  - IV — limestones of Devon.
- Triangle indicates karst.

The depth of an erosion cut is a value difficult to determine. For practical purposes, therefore, it may be replaced by an indirect index, i.e. drainage basin area. This quantitative index was adopted as one of the principal criteria in determining the boundaries of regions within which the conditions of formation of minimum flow for the territory are qualitatively uniform. In the meantime, relationship between river basin areas and flow rates proved to be



different for different regions, a change in this relationships corresponding to one in the conditions of flow.

Particular recommendations developed in the U.S.S.R. for determining minimum flow rates for rivers with no stream-flow data available are based on arguments which more or less reflect natural laws.

The effect of geographical zonality is clearly proved by maps of isolines of minimum daily and monthly discharge in second-litre per square kilometre compiled for the European part of the U.S.S.R. (V.A. Uryvaev, 1941; L.N. Popov, 1952) which distinctly reflect the regular decrease of discharge from the north southwards.

The existing empirical design formulas (M.E. Shevelev, 1937; N.D. Antonov, 1941) in the general form of  $q_{\min} = f(M_0 F)$  (where  $q_{\min}$  is the minimum discharge in second-litre per square kilometre;  $M_0$  is the mean annual discharge in second-litre per square kilometre;  $F$  is the drainage basin area) include as a principal parameter the value of mean annual discharges of rivers in second-litre per square kilometre whose distribution over the territory obeys the law of geographic zonality. Parameter  $F$  to a certain extent reflects the draining capacity of rivers.

The role of geographical zonality is also taken into account in the map of base flow coefficients compiled by B.V. Poliakov (1947) who used a coefficient  $K = \frac{q_{\min}}{M_0}$  in establishing a regional division of base flow.

In recent years the State Hydrological Institute has continued with research concerning the genetic characteristics of minimum stream-flow.

On the basis of summarizing extensive material from many years of observations (770 stations) regional division has been completed for the European part of the U.S.S.R. as regards conditions for the formation of minimum flow.

Practical recommendations have been worked out for determining the rate of minimum flow for rivers, with no stream-flow data available, based on using laws of minimum flow formation in connection with base flow (A.M. Norvatov, 1956).

In identifying regions uniform as to conditions of the formation of minimum flow, account was taken of the extent of community of geomorphological and hydrogeological conditions as well as the simple relationship (within the region) between minimum discharge in second-litre per square kilometre and river basin area assumed as an indirect index of the erosion cut. On the basis of this principle 27 hydrological regions have been identified on the territory of the European part of the U.S.S.R. within which rates of minimum discharge in sec/l per km<sup>2</sup> have been established for rivers with no stream-flow data available, with drainage basins ranging from 200 to 1000 sq. km (Fig. 2).

Utilizing the principal methods developed in the State Hydrological Institute, the above-mentioned scheme of regional division has been rendered more specific by the Institute of Hydrology and Hydrotechnics of the Academy of Sciences of the Ukrainian S.S.R. for application to the territory of the Ukrainian S.S.R. (K.A. Lysenko, 1959).

The State Hydrological Institute has developed principal methods for basic long-range forecasting of the rate of stream-flow in low-water periods for vast territories (A.M. Norvatov, 1958).

Taking into account the laws of minimum flow formation associated with base flow, it proved to be possible to outline, with the example of the forest-steppe zone of the U.S.S.R., a basic scheme of forecasting the rate of stream-flow a long time in advance (3 to 5 months).

Keeping in mind that the extent of base flow in low-water periods largely depends on the supply of ground water accumulated in river basins in the previous period, use was made of the characteristic of ground water depletion which manifests itself in the fact that the latter possesses great inertia and, therefore, the discharge of ground water into rivers is a long process. Assumed as an index of the previous supply of ground water was a derivative value of ground water flow: discharge in the winter period expressed by minimum discharge in second-litre per square kilometre, this value being the principal forecasting argument. The effect of spring flood

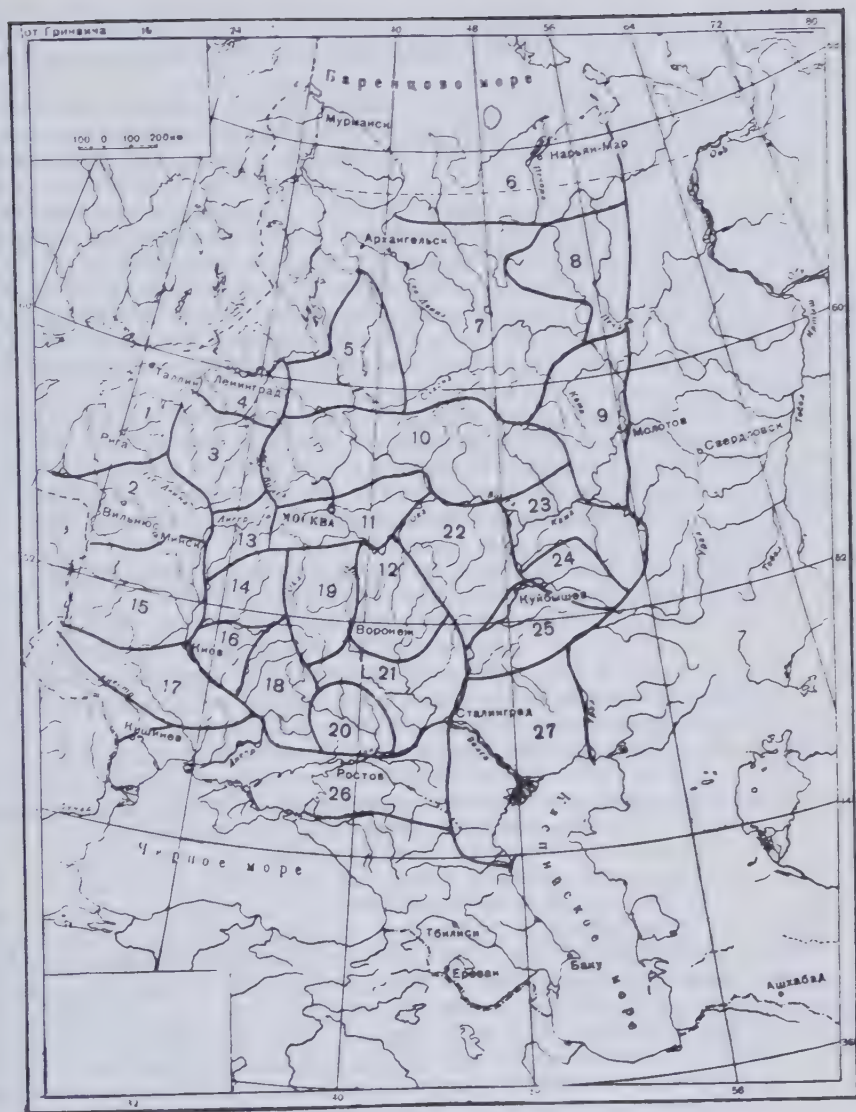


Fig. 2 — Schematic map of regions of similar conditions of minimum flow formation.

and summer rains on the change in underground water resources was taken into account by methods of synoptic meteorology.

Closely linked with the problem of minimum stream-flow formation are the phenomena of drying up and freezing through of rivers, these phenomena being determined by the depletion of ground water, the principal source of river feeding in low-water periods.



The possibility of drying up and freezing through of a river is connected with the character of ground water resources (water yield, depth of water table) and the draining capacity of the river determined by the position of the erosion cut in relation to aquifers and ground water accumulations.

In the winter season low temperatures promote the freezing of soil thus accelerating the process of depletion of ground water resources as part of them passes into the solid state. The compiled map of geographical distribution of the phenomena of drying up and freezing through of rivers in the USSR (A.M. Norvatov, 1950) shows that the distribution of these phenomena over the territory reflects geographical zonality; the intensity and clearness of the processes leading to the disappearance of channel flow in a stream are likewise connected with drainage basin areas which indirectly characterize the depth of erosion cut.

Further development of methods for computation and forecasting of low flow should proceed on the basis of complete genetic analysis of low flow formation with due regard for the effect produced on it by the regional and azonal conditions of particular regions. This is particularly essential in the case of human activities changing local conditions (afforestation, tillage, irrigation, etc.).

In determining these intrazonal deviations in low-flow formation it is of great importance that account should be taken of the local peculiarities of ground water feeding, this being one of the most dynamic decisive factors. The study of the peculiarities of ground water feeding should be based on establishing the physical laws of the movement of water in soils under natural conditions in drainage basins, primarily as dependent on the hydraulic and physical properties of soils in the aeration zone.

Theoretical and experimental studies as well as field observations conducted in this respect, with Soviet Scientists (A.F. Lebedev, 1936; G.N. Vysotsky, 1933; A.A. Rode, 1954-1956; and others) making an important contribution, render it possible to plan the ways of obtaining summarized quantitative characteristics of ground water feeding under natural conditions on drainage basins with regard for the humidity regime of the aeration zone.

The prevailing form of ground water feeding in the territory of the U.S.S.R. is the percolation of rain water and snow melt through the aeration zone\* (see page 11).

A particular case of ground water feeding is the movement of a capillary saturated infiltrating flow which on the basis of Darcy's law is most completely described in G.A. Alexeev's theoretical scheme. This scheme serves as a working hypothesis in field investigations conducted by the State Hydrological Institute (1948) on infiltration losses of runoff.

As shown by the theoretical works of S.F. Averianov (1949) and other authors, the coefficient of filtration is a linear and continuous function of the humidity of the soil. This justifies the assumption that the flow of water caused by the force of gravity and contributing to ground water feeding, under the conditions of constant but incomplete saturation of the moist layer is also closely described by Darcy's law. In the case of an established constant expenditure of water for ground water feeding, of interest of the quantitative evaluation of the flow is the experimentally determined relationship between the humidity of the moist layer of the aeration zone and the discharge of the flow (S.M. Proskournikov, 1948). In conformity with the rate of flow a strictly definite rate of humidity of soil prevails in the aeration zone above the ground water table, which offers a possibility of quantitative evaluation of ground water feeding on a large section of a drainage basin on the basis of analysing the humidity regime of the aeration zone by experimental data (O.V. Popov, 1956).

Relationship between the humidity of soil and percolation discharge finds theoretical justification for studying water movement at a very low soil humidity, when the movement proceeds under a very complex combined effect of Van der Waal's forces, electric forces, Newton's gravitation forces and the force of gravity (S.V. Nerpin, 1954). In this case a strict mathe-

(\*) In some areas, of arid regions in particular, the movement of water vapour may play a certain role; its quantitative significance, however, needs to be more precisely ascertained.

tical plotting supported by experimental material, permits, with a certain granulometrical composition and humidity of soil, the calculation of the value of percolation down to the ground water table and to evaluate the rates of its feeding.

In all cases of evaluating underground water feeding, need arises under the definite hydrogeological conditions of a river basin to determine the possibility of calculating the amount of water moving down to the ground water table by means of parameters and coefficients disclosing the effect of certain basic factors which can be defined by an independent experimental method.

Therefore, in studying the characteristics of low-flow formation, as in solving the entire problem of the formation of runoff, the Hydrometeorological Service of the Soviet Union in its hydrological investigations pays special attention to experimental field observations aimed at obtaining quantitative characteristics of percolation in various physiographical conditions with regard for the peculiarities of the physics of this process dependent on the humidity of soils and their hydraulic and physical properties.

The complexity of solving these problems under field conditions is due to the fact that in many cases underground water feeding proceeds in a very non-uniform manner on the draining basin's area, and, because of a limited number of observation points on it, it is difficult to obtain summary characteristics even within the limits of small drainage basins.

Under these circumstances the most complete evaluation of the conditions of low-flow formation may be obtained by comprehensive water-budget investigations including hydrogeological observations and employing the method of hydrodynamic analysis of data on ground water levels after G.N. Kamensky (A.V. Lebedev, 1959). In the Soviet Union such investigations are conducted primarily in the regions of great economic importance.

All hydrological studies of the inter-relation of underground and surface water on the wide network of stations of the Hydrometeorological Service are organized and conducted according to a single program (O.V. Popov, 1959).

Integrated investigations of low stream-flow in respect of the geographical zonality of natural phenomena and the physical laws of the processes which determine them, offer vast possibilities for solving the problem of low-flow formation not only in various physiographical zones, but also with regard for the general changes in the rate of flow under the influence of the economic activities of man.

Unlimited prospects lie ahead for solving all the afore-mentioned problems by combined efforts of scientists from the various countries of the world.

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# A SEMANTIC REVIEW OF THE TERMINOLOGY OF GROUNDWATER MAPS (1)

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In a recent issue of the Bulletin of the International Association of Scientific Hydrology, Margat raised a question concerning the terminology to be used to designate the various types of groundwater maps. His article strongly advocates international understanding and it is the first of its kind to suggest English and German equivalents of the terms used in France. The need for international uniformity becomes apparent indeed when one compares articles from different countries dealing with the cartographic representation of groundwater data. This matter of uniformity is of extreme importance, for both the outcome of international scientific co-operation and the degree of mutual understanding depend mainly on the proper translation of ideas into terms that have the same meaning to all who use them; and Margat's attempt must therefore be highly appreciated.

The purpose of this paper is to discuss the semantics of some of the English and German terms suggested by Margat, and to warn of some of the pitfalls related to the translation of scientific terminology.

## CARTES DES EAUX SOUTERRAINES

English : Ground waters map (Margat, 1960)

German : Grundwasserkarte (Margat, 1960)

First of all it should be noted that in the English language compound words used as adjectives immediately preceding nouns which they modify, take a hyphen (G.P.O. Style Manual, 1959). According to this so-called «rule of unit modifiers», the words «ground» and «waters» should be hyphenated, thus becoming : *ground-waters* map. «Ground waters» is a literal translation of «des eaux souterraines», but in common English usage the word «ground-water» (or ground-water) is a pluralia tantum, which means that the singular and plural form are alike. Consequently, the plural «s» of ground-waters should be omitted, giving : *ground-water map*, in which case «ground-water» is a compound adjective modifying «map».

The word *groundwater* is composed of the nouns «ground» and «water» and when these two nouns first were used in this particular combination to indicate a special kind of water, they were doubtless written separately. However, the fluidity of living language tends to close up such compound words which through frequent use have become units of thought (G.P.O. Style Manual, 1959, p. 69). During this process of unification the words pass through the following stages :

1. The words are still separate (ground water; water year)
2. The words are hyphenated (ground-water; water-level)
3. The two words become one word (groundwater; watershed).

It is interesting to recognize these various stages of word evolution among contemporaneous American authors. Examples :

Ground water : (Mann, 1957);

Ground-water : (Ferris and Sayre, 1946; Schneider, 1957);

Groundwater : (Bergstrom and Selkregg, 1957).

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Judging from this trend in language it seems justified to expect the finally accepted form to be the single word, which implies that the proper English equivalent of «carte des eaux souterraines» has to be *Groundwater map*, as is already the usage in some places in Canada and the U.S.A.

Margat's proposal to retain the term «Groundwater map» in a general sense, indicating any type of map that presents one or two more groundwater characteristics, seems to be fully acceptable.

In discussing general features of German groundwater maps, Grahmann (1958) indeed employs the term «Grundwasserkarte» which on that account seems to be the proper German equivalent. An exception to this rule is the Grundwasserkarte der Bundesrepublik Deutschland scale 1 : 1 million, which contains specific hydrologic information as well as geologic information.

## 2. CARTES HYDROGÉOLOGIQUES

English : Hydrogeological maps (Margat, 1960)

German : Hydrogeologische Karten (Margat, 1960).

These terms have been coined to indicate maps that show «la situation géologique des eaux souterraines et caractères géométriques des principales nappes. Une carte hydrogéologique doit conserver les éléments essentiels d'une carte géologique» (Margat, 1960).

The English term seems certainly acceptable but has not as yet been defined as such in English or American literature. Todd (1959) refers to hydrogeology in a rather general way as «the science of the occurrence, distribution and movement of water below the surface of the earth», a definition which is in accordance with the adjectival usage in the above-mentioned term. In recent Russian literature the English term «hydrogeological map» has been used to designate «a variety of a geological map, drawn to characterize subsoil waters running in the rock. Regardless of their scale, all hydrogeological maps give complex characteristics of subsoil waters» (Churinov, 1957). Churinov's definition agrees with that given by Margat and there appears to be unanimity among authors about the usage of the English term «Hydrogeological maps»; therefore, its usage in the sense of Margat should be retained.

The proposed German term «Hydrogeologische Karten» has been used by Grahmann (1957) to indicate maps that show «the occurrence and nature of water-bearing formations on the basis of general geologic structure». However, as Grahmann points out, in order to be of practical value they must also contain information as to the amount of permanently obtainable groundwater, which he calls «geohydrological information». Consequently, only small-scale regional maps on which hydrogeological data play the more important role are true «Hydrogeologische Karten», whereas larger-scale maps, showing smaller areas in more detail and to be used for quantitative-planning purposes, have to be of a more geohydrological nature. This being the case, it seems that the usage of the German term «Hydrogeologische Karten» is somewhat more restricted than the French or English equivalents, as the proper usage of the German term depends on the scale of the map in question.

## 3. CARTE DE RESSOURCES EN EAU SOUTERRAINE

English : Occurrence of ground waters maps (Margat, 1960)

German : Grundwasservorkommen Karten (Margat, 1960)

Margat proposed the term «Carte de ressources en eau souterraine» to designate two basically different types of maps, which, however, both show specific quantitative information relating to the practical availability of groundwater. As is explained below, this differentiation serves a very useful purpose, and it reflects to what highly different stages groundwater studies have progressed in various countries.

The English term proposed to cover both types of maps is neither semantically nor idiomatically satisfactory. Semantically the term means at the most «the occurrence of groundwater maps», which is not meant by Margat. It is sufficient to refer to the previously mentioned «rule of unit modifier» in bringing forward that all words preceding the word «maps» should have been hyphenated. This would produce a rather awkward adjective which does not lend itself to a convenient abbreviation that may sometimes solve such a problem. (Example: SAR diagram for Sodium-adsorption-ratio diagram.) It seems preferable to suggest the English term «Groundwater-resources» map as equivalent of the French term «Carte de ressources en eau souterraine».

As for the German term, there already exist two other names to indicate maps of such quantitative nature:

a) *Hydrogeologische Übersichtskarte* (1 : 500,000), which according to Grahmann (1954) is required to contain information concerning the relation between groundwater resources and geology of the aquifers, the amount of natural recharge and present and potential utilization of the groundwater resources. All of Western Germany will eventually be covered by such map-sheets.

b) *Hydrogeologische Spezialkarte* (1 : 25,000), a term introduced by Matthes and Thews (1959) to indicate large-scale maps also combining geological and hydrological data. Such maps furnish information as to the amount of natural groundwater discharge, available quantities of groundwater, location and extent of intake areas, source areas and areas of potential large-scale groundwater withdrawal.

Although these maps differ in scale, their contents are in accordance with Margat's definition and both terms are therefore synonymous with «Carte de ressources en eau souterraine», making the term «Grundwasservorkommen Karten» redundant.

Among groundwater-resources maps, Margat distinguishes two essentially different types of maps:

#### a) *Carte d'exploitabilité*

English: Drawing from ground water possibilities maps (Margat, 1960)

German: Verfügbaren Grundwassermengen Karten (Margat, 1960)

This type of map purports to show the quantity of groundwater that can be withdrawn instantaneously at any given point in the aquifer, regardless of the effects that such withdrawal may have upon the groundwater balance. This amount is determined by the thickness and the permeability of the aquifer, or in other words, by the transmissibility (Margat, 1960).

Before suggesting an English equivalent for the French term «Carte d'exploitabilité», it is necessary to explain briefly some rules related to translation in general and particularly to the translation of scientific terms.

As has been pointed out by Wiener (1956) the imperfect correspondence between the meaning of words restricts the flow of information from one language into another. Each language has its own precise distinctions and the meaning of a literal translation is not necessarily the semantic image of the original text. Consequently a certain amount of information is lost during translation, never to be regained. This tendency of deterioration of information has been called the *cybernetic form of increasing entropy* (Wiener, 1956). Even if only a small amount of information dissipates during translation, slight semantic shifts result, causing serious misunderstanding. For instance, the official Dutch translation of the term «watershed» covers only the geomorphological divide between two drainage basins (Schieferdecker, 1959) in contrast to the wider American usage which implies a «small drainage basin» (Langbein and Hoyt, 1959). As increasing entropy tends toward total disorganization, the final product of successive (literal) translations can be expected to become semantically senseless although it still may bear some phonetic relationship to a particular language.

Increasing entropy during translation is best illustrated by re-translating the translated text back into the original language. This process of re-inserting into a system the results of



its past performance is referred to as *feedback*. Feedback can thus be used to measure the amount of information dissipated during translation, simply by determining the degree of semantic correspondence between the original text and the returned one.

The translation of scientific terms should be directed primarily toward full preservation of semantic correspondence, which means that, as a rule, literal translations are undesirable, for the fine semantic shades of scientific terms are likely to be lost during translation. Margat most certainly realized this problem, for his suggested English and German equivalents of the original French terminology are seldom literal translations. Nevertheless, the information conveyed by the French expression «carte d'exploitabilité» is completely lost in the proposed English equivalent «Drawing from ground water possibilities map». This is best illustrated by re-translating the English term into the French language, giving:

«Le dessin des cartes des eaux possibles souterraines», or

«Le dessin des possibilités des cartes des eaux souterraines».

These phrases show that increasing cybernetic entropy during two stages of translation is sufficient to cause total semantic disorganization. An English-speaking geologist trying to translate his ideas into French terminology would encounter exactly the same problems, for most idiomatic scientific expressions do not lend themselves to direct translation but require bilingual understanding of the science itself. It is obvious from the above considerations that the term «Drawing from ground water possibilities map» should be rejected in favor of a more suitable term.

The type of quantitative groundwater map that Margat wishes to distinguish certainly is known from English or American literature. Bergstrom and Selkregg (1957) described such maps of the State of Illinois, on which the probability of encountering certain types of aquifers is shown by means of a special symbol, and Christiansen (1960) presented a groundwater map of the Qu'Appelle area in Saskatchewan (Canada), indicating the probability of finding certain quantities of water at any given location. Keech and Dreeszen (1959) compiled a groundwater map of Clay County in the State of Nebraska, based on transmissibility values, while De Ridder and Hondius (1958) constructed similar maps, showing Kd values of various aquifers in the northern part of Limburg (Netherlands). As has already been mentioned by Margat (1960), transmissibility values determine the amount of groundwater that is available for immediate use, and maps like those presented by Keech and Dreeszen or De Ridder and Hondius, should therefore be called *Transmissibility maps*. In cases where the transmissibility values are translated into terms of «good, intermediate, and poor» water-yielding areas, the maps generally show the probability of encountering specific amounts of groundwater by means of special symbols. Such maps are called *Groundwater-probability maps*. It should be kept in mind that the word «probability» is in this case not used in a mathematical sense, for such maps are not constructed on the basis of a formal mathematical model. The probability referred to on these maps is therefore not the ratio of the number of favorable cases to the whole number of cases possible, but merely the likelihood that a certain expectation will prove to be true.

The suggested German term «Verfügbaren Grundwassermengen Karte» seems to have a predecessor in the German literature where both Nöring (1957) and Grahmann (1958) used the term *Grundwasserhöflichkeit Karte*, to specify maps showing the degree of probability that certain groundwater resources can be exploited (Grahmann, 1958, p. 33). The retention of the usage of this original German term is therefore recommended rather than the introduction of a less appropriate expression.

#### b) *Carte des ressources en eau souterraine*

English: Occurrence of groundwater- or ground water disponibilities map (Margat, 1960)  
German: Grundwasservorkommen Karte (Margat, 1960)

It is regrettable that Margat coined this term either in a general sense or with a more restricted meaning. In its restricted meaning the term denotes those groundwater maps that show long-term yield or, in other words, maps showing the amount of groundwater withdrawn

that can be maintained without depleting the aquifer. Such maps are the cartographic presentation of the entire groundwater balance, for they show the combined results of interaction between geology, climatology and hydrology. Maps of this type have great significance for planning purposes where the knowledge of long-term groundwater yield can be of utmost importance.

This distinction between maps showing long-term yield and those showing instantaneous yield demonstrates the highly advanced state of groundwater studies in France as well as in some other countries. Obviously the need for such highly specialized groundwater maps has not as yet presented itself in one of the English- or American-speaking countries, for descriptions of such maps are conspicuous by their absence in American or English literature. However, the first English term proposed by Margat is difficult to accept as it is not sufficiently specific with regard to the type of map it indicates, and the alternative term is unacceptable as Margat failed to translate the French word «disponibilité» into its English equivalent «availability».

In a recent Russian paper (Kudelin, 1957) the author used the term «Map of underground discharge» in referring to natural groundwater discharge as computed from baseflow analysis. The various maps presented by Kudelin most certainly meet the requirements of the type of groundwater maps discussed by Margat but the term «underground discharge» is incomplete as it does not include groundwater discharge from surface springs. The term is probably the translated version of a much better Russian word, in which case it offers another example of dissipation of information during translation.

By analogy to the proper German term introduction of the term *Groundwater-discharge map* is suggested, which is a map showing the amount of natural groundwater discharge expressed in volume per time area, or in height of water over the entire groundwater-drainage basin. This amount may be computed from stream hydrographs or by any other means, as long as it characterizes the groundwater balance. The German term suggested by Margat has to be rejected on account of the wide usage of the original German term *Grundwasserspende Karte* (a.o. Matthes and Thews, 1959) which denotes groundwater maps showing natural groundwater discharge expressed in  $l/sec.km^2$ .

#### 4. CARTES HYDROCHIMIQUES

English: Hydrochemical maps (Margat, 1960)

German: Chemische Grundwasser Karten (Margat, 1960)

Margat proposes «Cartes hydrochimiques» as a general name for maps showing the chemical composition of groundwater, either in terms of total dissolved solids or in terms of the concentration of dominant ions.

Hem (1959, p.194) refers to such maps as «quality-of-water maps» by which he understands maps that are prepared «by entering numbers or symbols at well or spring locations to represent the concentration of dissolved solids or of individual constituents». In this context the word «quality» is being used in its original meaning of «how constituted», regardless of the practical implications that this composition may have. Hem's terminology agrees with Margat's definition and hence on grounds of priority should deserve preference over the term «Hydrochemical maps», but Hem's term is considered unsuitable in the light of further discussion below.

The German term suggested by Margat seems semantically somewhat incorrect as the adjective «chemische» refers to «Grundwasser» rather than to «Karte». Moreover it appears from the literature that the proper general term is «*Grundwasserchemische Karte*» (Nöring, 1957), which term should therefore be retained.

For practical purposes Margat distinguishes two kinds of chemical maps:

a) *Cartes hydrochimiques spécifiques*

English: not given

German: not given

Margat's conception of such maps is that they show some characteristic chemical component such as hardness or alkalinity. In American literature such maps have not been given special names but their purpose is generally described in the map-title, such as: «Map of..... showing areal distribution of groundwater hardness», or «Map of..... showing alkalinity of groundwater». At present it seems unnecessary to establish a specific English terminology for such maps.

The author is also not aware of the existence of any particular German term.

German groundwater-resources maps 1 : 500,000 include characteristic groundwater by means of certain symbols, making special maps redundant.

b) *Cartes de potabilité*

English: not given

German: not given

Certain maps showing the chemistry of groundwater may have great practical value by presenting directly the quality of the water in terms of its suitability for human consumption.

	FRENCH	ENGLISH	GERMAN
1.	Carte des eaux souterraines	Groundwater map	Grundwasserkarte
2.	Carte hydrogéologique	Hydrogeological map	Hydrogeologische Karte
3.	Carte de ressources en eau souterraine	Groundwater-resources map	Hydrogeologische Übersichtskarte Hydrogeologische Spezialkarte
	a. Carte d'exploitabilité	Transmissibility map  Groundwater-probability map	Grundwasserhöflichkeit Karte
	b. Carte de ressources en eau souterraine	Groundwater-discharge map	Grundwasserspende Karte
4.	Carte hydrochimique	Groundwater-composition map	Grundwasserchemische Karte
	a. Carte hydrochimique spécifique	no equivalent	no equivalent
	b. Carte de potabilité  Carte d'utilisabilité pour l'irrigation	Groundwater-quality map  idem	Grundwasserbeschaffenheit Karte  idem



ation or industrial purposes. In cases where maps are to show the water quality in terms of its suitability for irrigation, Margat proposes the term «cartes d'utilisabilité pour l'irrigation». The need for differentiation among such groundwater maps again illustrates the advanced state that groundwater studies have reached in some countries.

According to Hem (1959) the subject of quality of water as related to use is part of the interpretation of quality-of-water maps rather than the subject of a special map. It is the author's opinion that the meaning of the term «quality-of-water map» is the best possible equivalent of «carte de potabilité», for the word «quality» has strong semantic connotations with designation of conditions of goods to be used for human consumption. Therefore it could be suggested to reserve the term «quality-of-water map» for maps that show directly the suitability of groundwater for human consumption or other purposes. However for the sake of uniformity in order to avoid confusion the term *Groundwater quality map* is proposed as the English equivalent of «Carte de potabilité».

The term *Groundwater-composition map* is suggested to replace the expression «quality-of-water map» in the sense of Hem (1959), and to be the equivalent of «Carte hydrochimique». With this proposed term the word «composition» has its common meaning of: «the nature of a compound or mixture as regards to the kind and amounts of its constituents» (Webster).

In Germany as well as in France the need exists to differentiate among groundwater maps. Nöthlich (1957) presented a method to show by means of percentages the quality of groundwater expressed in terms of its suitability for human use. Such a map is called *Grundwasserbeschaffenheit Karte* and this name covers both French terms «Carte de potabilité» and «Carte d'utilisabilité pour l'irrigation».

The preceding paragraphs are summarized in the accompanying table.

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# THE UTILIZATION OF RIVER WATER RESOURCES IN ARID ZONES

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1. The present report considers the vast arid steppe territories of the south of the USSR. These are regions with cold, steady winters and hot, dry summers. The run-off proceeds mainly in spring owing to the snow melting. During the rest of the year the river flow is scanty.

2. The mean flow of the rivers in relation to their catchment areas is low and varies greatly from year to year. The average depth of annual flow is 1-2 cm; the coefficient of variation is close to 1.

About 90 % of the water passes during 1-2 spring months. The rate of evaporation in summer is high, the precipitation being low. The average annual depth of evaporation losses from the water surface of storage reservoirs is approximately 1 m.

3. The flow of the rivers being highly variable, long term records are required to secure accurate estimation of the water resources. Systematic flow gauging should be started possibly long before the beginning of hydraulic works.

Statistical estimation corroborates these considerations. Owing to the high variability of the river flow within the arid territories a record of 100 years is required to secure the estimation of the mean flow with the standard error  $\pm 10\%$ ; a 200 - year record is necessary to reach the same accuracy in estimating the flow of the 99 % dry year. The correlation between the flow of adjacent years makes the estimation of the river flow statistics still more difficult.

4. The annual flow of dry years is very low. To store the superfluous flow of the wet years is the only way to reach a high rate of utilization of the available resources and to secure stable supply even if a lingering drought occurs. Accordingly, long term annual storage becomes the primary means of water resources utilization in arid zones. Water resources limit the economic development here; the completeness of their utilization becomes a factor of great importance.

5. The amount of storage required depends on the length and the severity of dryness sequences of deficient years. Only a few samples of their possible combinations are represented by even the most protracted flow records. These samples do not suffice to estimate accurately the severity and occurrence of droughts to be expected and the amount of storage necessary to regulate the flow. This problem may be solved only in a theoretical way by estimating the probabilities of different annual flow sequences. Such an approach is closely related with the Markov chain conception. The main interrelations appropriate to this conception are given in the report «On the regularities of river flow fluctuations and the methods of estimation of lingering droughts».

Probability methods of storage estimation have been evolved and become widespread. The procedure is based on the composition of frequency distributions of the flow and stored water. Two ways of solving the problem have been proposed. (To simplify the analysis we eliminate-provisionally-the seasonal fluctuations of the river flow; thus only the variations of annual flow are discussed).



6. The first approach to the problem is to study the years and their sequences assuming the reservoir either completely full or empty at the beginning. Let  $k$  be the annual flow of the river, and  $\alpha$  the annual yield to be supplied, (losses included), both in terms of the mean annual flow. If  $k > \alpha$  the supply can be maintained uninterruptedly even with the reservoir empty in the beginning. If  $k < \alpha - \beta$  ( $\beta$  — the amount of storage in terms of the mean annual flow) shortage of yield is inevitable even with the reservoir full in the beginning. To ascertain the regimes of years with the flow  $\alpha > K > \alpha - \beta$ , such an interval has to be examined jointly with the preceding years. The flow frequency distribution is to be composed of the two-year sequences ended by a year of the specified uncertain interval. Further the same procedure is to be applied to the sequences of 3.4 ...  $n$  years, until the probability of the interval  $n\alpha > \sum_{i=1}^n K_i > n\alpha - \beta$  becomes negligible. Thus all annual flows become distributed within two groups: the secured supply years and the shortage years and the probability of each group is determined. The composition can be carried out grapho-analytically <sup>(1)</sup> or by means of calculating the parameters of the  $n$ -year flow frequency distributions <sup>(2)</sup>. The latter gives the opportunity to take approximately into account the correlation between the flow of adjacent years.

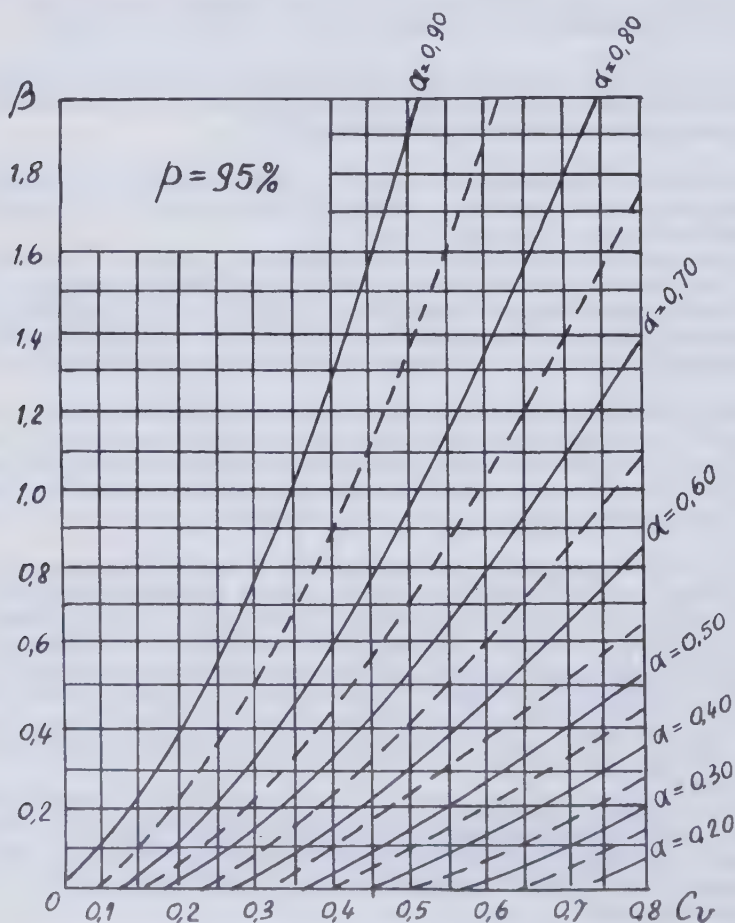


Fig. 1 Annual storage-draft-coefficient of variation of annual flow, 95 per cent of years of secure yield; variation of annual flow supposed independent.

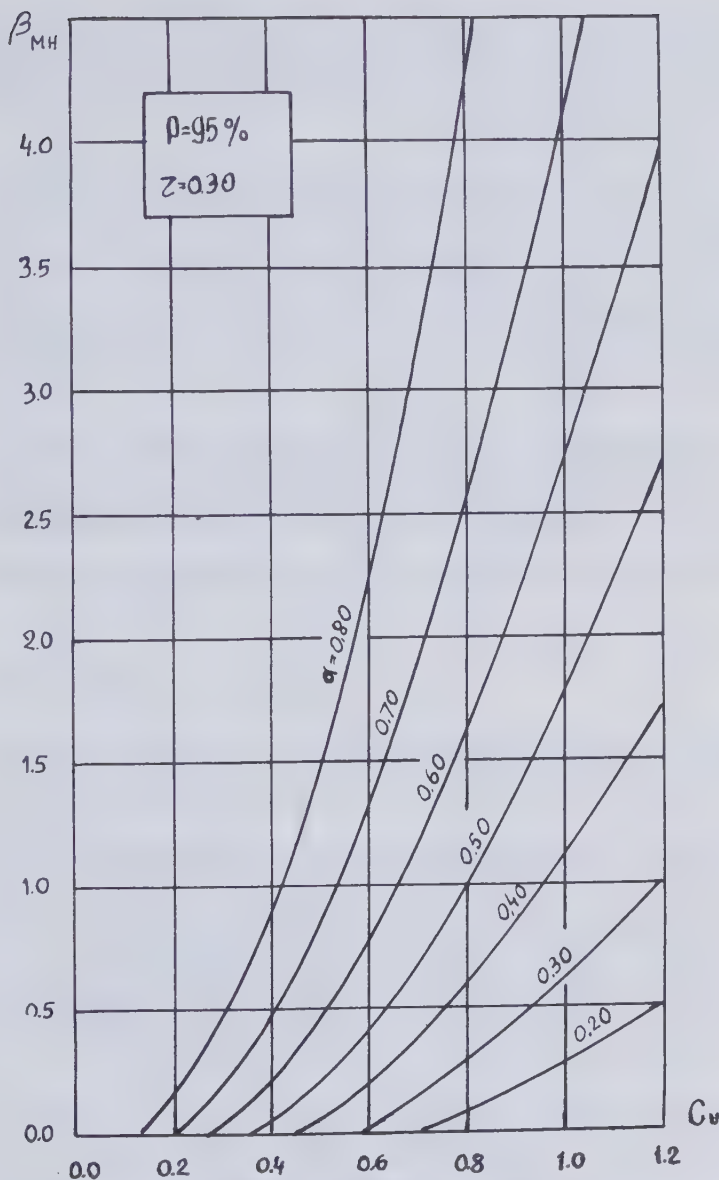


fig. 2 — Annual storage-draft-coefficient of variation of annual flow; (95 per cent of years of secured yield; correlated annual flow with the coefficient of correlation 0.3).

The second approach to the problem consists in successive—year after year— composition of frequency distributions of the stored water. The initial stage of the reservoir can be presupposed arbitrarily—full or empty—or characterised by a frequency distribution. With the course

of time the frequency distribution of the amount of stored water tends to a stable form independent of the initial conditions. The composition can be carried out grapho-analytically <sup>(1)</sup>. The coordinates of the stable frequency distribution of the volumes of stored water can be calculated also by means of a system of equations. Recently a method has been outlined allowing for introducing into these equations the correlation between the flow values of adjacent years <sup>(3)</sup>. In that case the equation become quadratic.

8. By means of the above-mentioned methods graphs have been constructed to correlate the storage and the yield to the variation coefficient of the annual flow and the percentage of year of secured yield. Such graphs are given in figures 1, 2 for 95 % of years of secured supply. Figure 1 corresponds to statistically independent, figure 2 to correlated, annual flow with coefficient of correlation between the flow in adjacent years 0.30.

The annual flow coefficients of variation are plotted as abscissae, the required long-term «annual» storage as ordinates. The curves on the graphs correspond to different values of yield expressed, like the storage, in terms of the mean annual flow. The yield  $\alpha$  includes evaporation and seepage losses of water.

9. Methods have also been evolved for ascertaining the seasonal component of required storage and for integrated studies of storage capacity necessary to regulate both long-term and seasonal variations of flow. In the case of high long-term flow regulation the «annual» and the «seasonal» components of the storage capacity may be calculated separately and summed.

If necessary more accurate methods may be used evaluating the total required storage

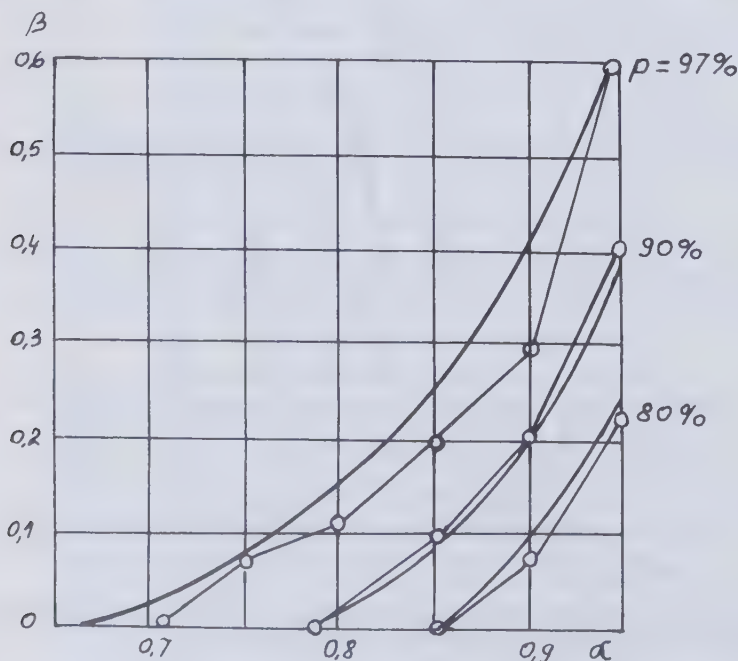
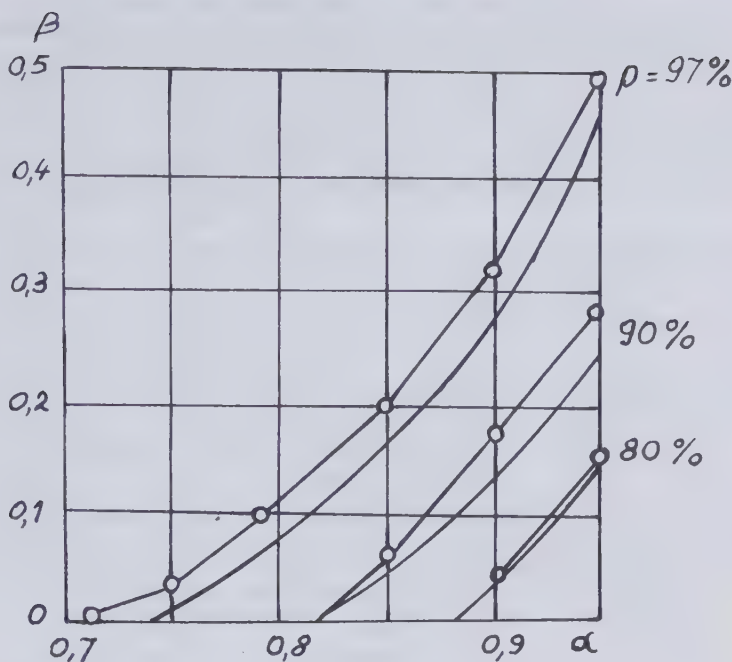


Fig. 3 — Annual storage in relation to draft and per cent of secured supply years; theoretically estimated storage-capacities compared with those derived by direct analysis:

a) Niemen river; 100 years gauging records.





b) Rhine river; 100 years gauging records.

10. Attention must be paid to check the theoretical deductions by testing them with direct observations. For example, in figures 3a and 3b the theoretically estimated storage capacities are compared with those derived by direct analysis of 100-year flow records for the rivers Meuse and Rhine.

In fig. 4 similar comparison is made with regard to the length of reservoir emptying periods.

The theoretical methods allow for estimating the frequency of rare combinations of flow not observed directly during the recorded periods and their influence on the regimen of storage reservoirs. Various aspects of this regimen become cleared up, among them—the amounts of water not supplied during extremely dry periods, the length of reservoir depletion periods, the probability of repeated depletion and shortages in adjacent years etc. For example, fig 5. shows the expected mean deficit in yield in relation to the percentage of years of undiminished supply (<sup>1</sup>). (Coefficient of variation of annual flow 0.5; correlation between the annual flow in adjacent years not taken in account; about 55 % of the run-off passes during 2 spring months).

11. The run-off in arid regions being highly variable big storage reservoirs are required to regulate the flow. The amount of storage set several times the volume of the mean annual flow. Factors limiting the extension of reservoirs are to be taken into consideration: the production of initial filling; the augmentation of losses due to the growth of the water surface; the high concentration of diluted salts in the water of reservoirs which operate during protracted periods without spilling excessive flow.

12. In arid zones the depth of reservoirs is of great importance. Shallow ponds with little average depth evaporate so much water that the increasing of storage capacity does not augment the yield.

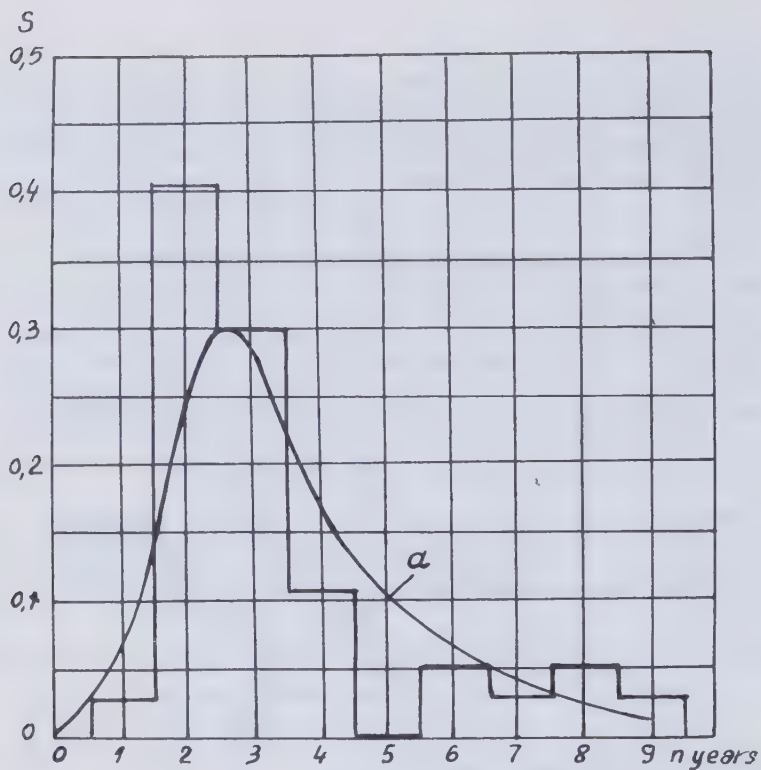


Fig. 4 — Length of reservoir exhausting periods; comparison of theoretical computations with observed data.

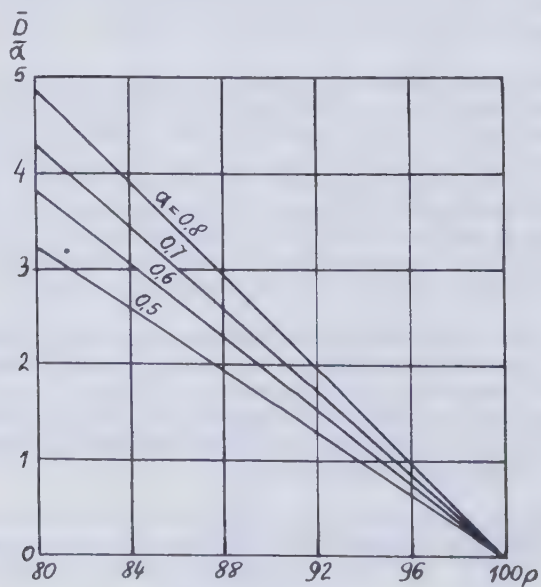


Fig. 5 — Deficit of yield in relation to the amount of yield and per cent of secured supply years; coefficient of variation of annual flow  $C_v = 0.5$ .

(5) An example illustrating the influence of evaporation—losses on the water-supply is given in fig. 6 (coefficient of variation of annual flow 1, annual depth of evaporation—losses 1 m). The graph presents the net yield (losses subtracted) in relation to the mean depth of reservoir. The water supply and the reservoir-capacity are expressed in terms of mean annual flow. In the same figure the dotted line shows the relation between the yield and reservoir capacity for a real water-supply reservoir. The graph shows that a reservoir with a mean depth of about 1 m. (typical for plain regions) secures the supply of about one third only of the mean annual flow; 30 % is wasted with evaporation losses from the water surface and the remaining flow is spilled during the rare high floods.

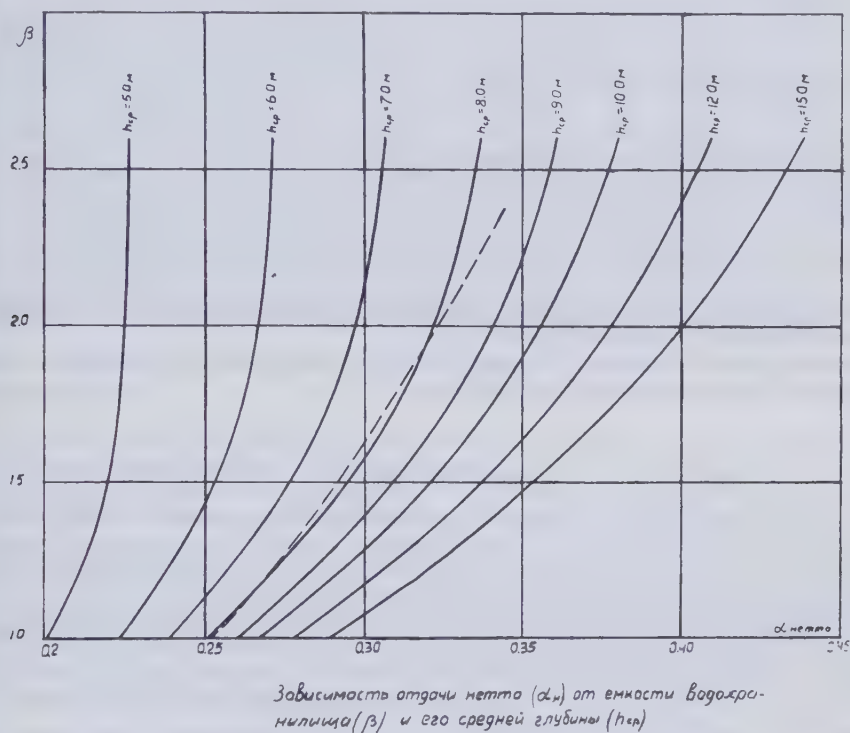


Fig. 6 — The net yield in relation to the storage capacity and the mean depth of the reservoir. The coefficient of variation of annual flow  $C_v = 1.95$  per cent of years of secured supply.

From what is said it follows that in arid zones it is desirable to concentrate the storage required to regulate the flow of a river within a few, capacious, deep reservoirs. Numerous small ponds are not suggested because of evaporation losses.

13. It seems reasonable to adjust according to the fluctuations of the river flow the water consumption of industrial and agricultural enterprises located within arid zones. The uninterrupted supply of highly important consumers is to be guaranteed in 95-97 % of years. The auxiliary needs may be limited during periods of heavy droughts, the total demands being contented at full rate, say, in 75 % of years. This pattern allows an enlarged utilization of limited water resources. During the majority of years the supply will be maintained without shortages. In the case of extraordinary droughts the most vital requirements will be secured safely.



14. The capacious reservoirs storing several volumes of the mean annual flow of the river need long periods for their initial filling. If this process coincides with a protracted drought the initial filling lasts many years. During this period the normal safety of the supply can not be secured.

Probability methods allow the study of the regimen of the water supply during the initial filling of the reservoir. The technique is to examine the flow and the yield year after year assuming the reservoir empty in the beginning. The probabilities are to be calculated of the amounts of water stored at the end of each consecutive year. Some results of such study are illustrated by the following table.

Years after the beginning of the initial filling	1	3	10
Draft (net) in terms of the supply maintained within 95 % of years the initial filling completed	0.1	0.7	1.0

The full capacity of the considered reservoir is 2.5 in terms of the mean annual flow. The depth of annual evaporation losses—1 m.

To prevent delay in the work of supply-dependent enterprises it is necessary to put the construction of reservoirs in hand in good time.

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# SEASONAL METEOROLOGICAL EFFECTS UPON STREAMFLOW IN NORTHERN UTAH (\*)

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## ABSTRACT

A watershed's seasonal streamflow fluctuations are caused by meteorological conditions as they are modified by the watershed's inherent characteristics such as size, shape, aspect, geology, and plant cover. Records from Halfway Creek watershed, a perennial tributary to Farmington Creek located on the Wasatch Mountains in northern Utah, show that winter streamflow comprises only a small portion of the total annual yield. The winter contribution, which is low but constant, originates as drainage from deep aquifers. A much greater portion of the water yield comes in the spring as seepage flow derived from melting snow and spring rains, although the highest instantaneous spring peak so far recorded is only 24 csm (cubic feet per second per square mile). Initial recession of the flow of Halfway Creek from its spring peak is rapid, but in a short time its decrease becomes so gradual that in late summer the hydrograph becomes an almost flat line. The summer recession ends when climatic conditions in the autumn cause cessation of plant growth. Rainstorms often interrupt the normal summer recession. Most of these interruptions are brief, but the height of the peak varies widely. For instance, in the 24-year period 1923-1947 when the vegetation cover was depleted, overland flow from short duration intense summer rainstorms caused mud-rock floods from Halfway Creek watershed that had instantaneous peaks 100 to 200 times greater than the spring peak. The relations presented in this report were determined for a small area and are based on specific records. They apply in a general way to a much greater area in northern Utah and the Intermountain West of which they are representative.

## INTRODUCTION

The flow of water from Halfway Creek on the Davis County Experimental Watershed is typical of many streams draining steeply sloping forest-, brush-, and rangelands of northern Utah and similar areas in the Intermountain West. Discharge records from this perennial stream, a tributary of Farmington Canyon that drains 464 acres, illustrate how seasonal weather conditions can cause great differences in streamflow.

The average annual flow from Halfway Creek is 21.5 area inches. Nearly all of it is seepage. Usually most of it has come in the spring as the winter snows melted, but occasionally (during the 24-year period 1923-1947) a relatively small amount of water from high-intensity summer rainstorms surged into the stream channel as overland flow and caused mud-rock floods having instantaneously high peaks. Records and estimates for one of these floods contrast its peak and that of highest snowmelt spring peak thus far recorded.

## 2. GENERAL EFFECT OF PRECIPITATION UPON STREAMFLOW

The snowpack on lands above 6,500 ft elevation is the principal source of water for perennial streams in this area. Snow begins accumulating on these high mountain watersheds each year about 1 November, and by 1 April the snowpack usually contains 20 in or more of water (fig. 1). The maximum snow depth to date on the snow course at 8,200 ft elevation in Davis County, 108.4 in in 1952, is twice the minimum, 53.6 in in 1954; and the maximum water content, 41.8 in in 1952, is 2.6 times as great as the minimum, 16.0 in in 1954.

Water from the snowpack, together with that from autumn storms preceding snowpack formation, and that from spring storms during the melting period (although variable from year

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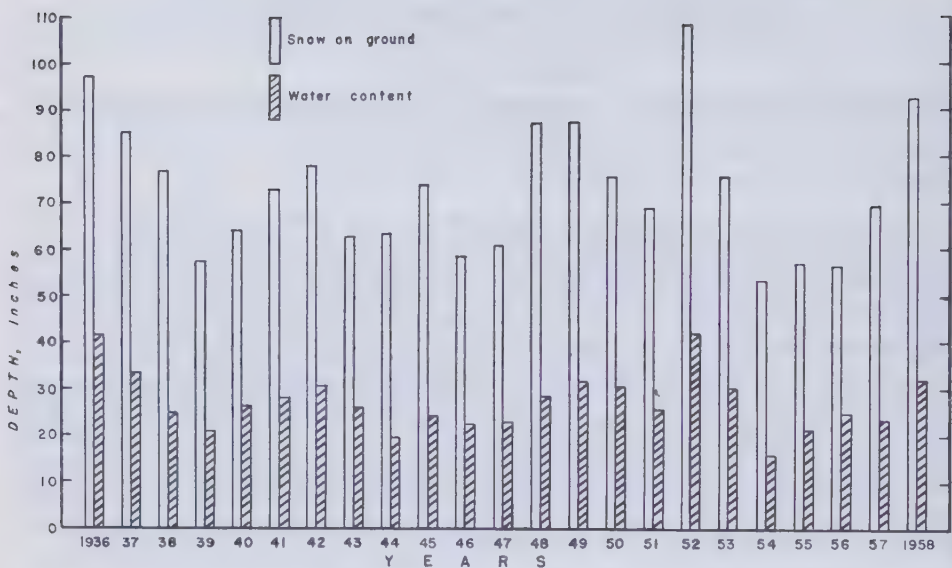


Fig. 1 — Snow depth and water content about 1 April, Barnard Creek snow course, Davis County Experimental Watershed, Utah, 8,200 ft elevation, 1936 to 1958.

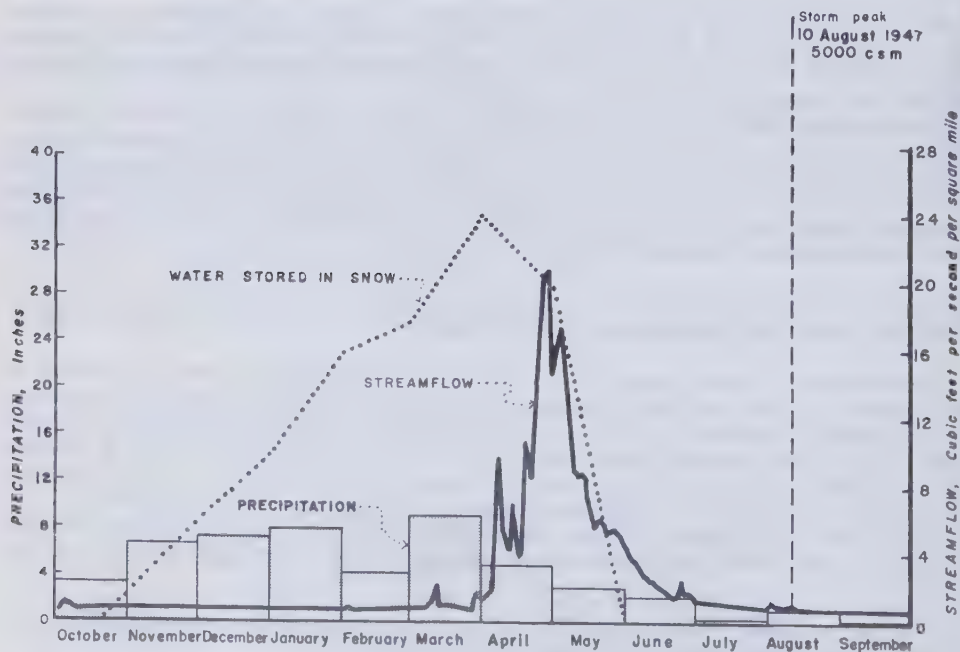


Fig. 2 — Streamflow, Halfway Creek, for the water-year 1951-1952 (with peak flow of mud-rock flood of 10 August 1947 superimposed) and water stored in snow and monthly precipitation at the nearby Rice climatic station.



ur), is more than enough to replace the water extracted from the soil by evaporation and  
 iration during the preceding growing season. Thus, water available for seepage to springs  
 hannels is in excess of the amount needed to recharge the soil to its water-holding capacity.  
 surplus water causes the streams to rise in the spring and maintains their flow through the  
 ummer, autumn, and winter months (fig. 2).

#### INTER STREAMFLOW

When snowpack formation commences in early winter, streamflow is low because seepage  
 evapotranspiration losses have lowered the water table so that only lower aquifers still  
 in water. Their yield to streamflow is constant and depends mostly upon the permeability  
 the soil mass. Little or no diurnal fluctuation is due to evapotranspiration, and only rarely  
 ere any discharge to streams through upper aquifers from melting snow or unseasonal  
 storms.

TABLE 1

*Twelve-year average monthly and seasonal streamflow, Halfway Creek watershed*

Season	Month	Streamflow (inches)	Percent of average annual
Winter	December	0.811	3.8
	January	.942	4.4
	February	1.152	5.3
		2.905	13.5
Spring	March	2.042	9.5
	April	4.546	21.1
	May	5.253	24.4
		(*) 11.840	55.0
Summer	June	2.773	12.9
	July	1.038	4.8
	August	.850	4.0
		4.661	21.7
Autumn	September	.710	3.3
	October	.694	3.2
	November	.705	3.3
		(*) 2.110	9.8
Total annual		21.516	100.0

(\*) Disagreement is due to rounding off numbers in components.

#### 4. SPRING STREAMFLOW

Slightly more than one-half of the average annual streamflow comes in the spring when snow is melting (table 1). In contrast to that of winter, spring streamflow is extremely sensitive to the prevailing weather conditions such as temperature and precipitation, and from Halfway Creek drainage may fluctuate from a daily average of 0.06 csm to more than 1 csm.

Snow melting causes a diurnal fluctuation in streamflow; it increases in the afternoon, decreases during the night and early morning. Spring rainstorms may cause a sudden rise in streamflow at any time of day or night.

Although most of the spring runoff is due to snowmelt, as much as 40 percent of the annual total may, in some years, be due to spring rains (1). Precipitation during the spring snowmelt period produces more runoff than equal amounts of rain or snow during autumn and winter. Much of the autumn and winter precipitation is required to fill the capillary storage capacity of the soil, but since this takes place during the spring snowmelt, little of the spring rain can be so retained. Hence, most of it moves through the soil and into the streams.

The instantaneous maximum snowmelt peak is a combination of a diurnal snowmelt fluctuation superimposed upon a high base flow (fig. 3a). The diurnal increment is mostly seepage flow, but part of it is channel interception of melting snow bridges that remain

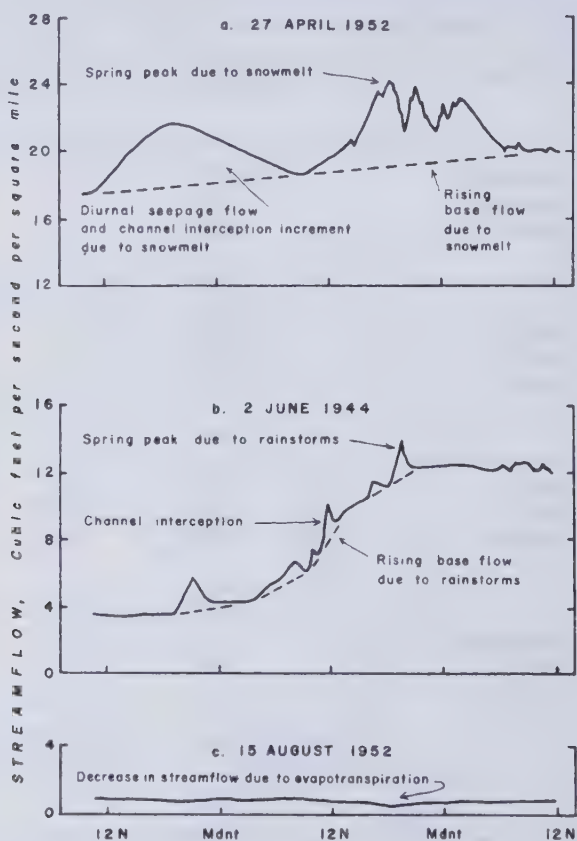


Fig. 3 — Examples of daily streamflow from Halfway Creek.

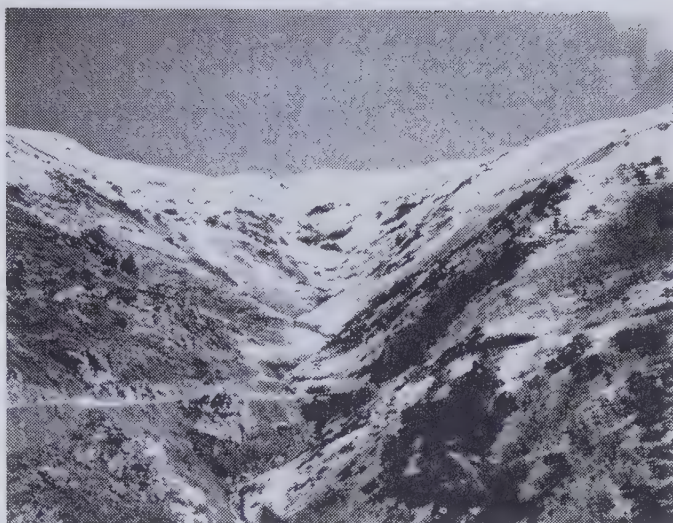


Fig. 4 — Snow remaining in Halfway Canyon near time of spring peak. (*Forest Service photo.*)

all channels in the headwaters (fig. 4). The base flow rises in the spring as the soil becomes wet with snowmelt water. When the entire soil profile is filled the deeper aquifers produce a relatively large amount of water, and even the surface soil may yield water to small rills and channels. Overland flow seldom occurs during the snowmelt period, although snowmelt water may sometimes be within the soil only momentarily before being returned to the surface as rill channel seepage flow (fig. 5).



Fig. 5 — Water being returned to surface after being in soil mantle only temporarily: (a) Water rodent burrow covers man's fingers;





(b) dark area below and to left of man's hand is soil moistened by water running from rodent burrow (Forest Service photo.)

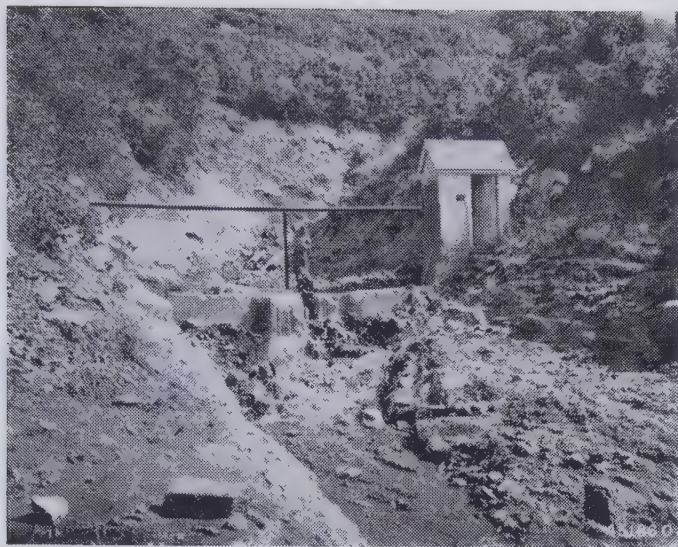
An extended rainy period soon after the snowmelt peak has passed may cause a second seepage flow peak even higher than the one caused by melting snow (fig. 3b). This occurs when a heavy rain falls on a wet soil, or when more than enough rain falls to refill a partially dry soil. In this case, a high channel interception peak is superimposed on a high base flow.

To date, the highest instantaneous spring peak recorded at Halfway Creek on the Davidson County Experimental Watershed is 24 csm on 27 April 1952. The exact amount of seasonal precipitation that contributed to this peak is not known, but a conservative estimate is about 43 in—the total catch in a storage gage at an index station near the channel of Farmington Creek at 6,850 ft elevation during the period 1 October 1951 to 1 May 1952.

## 5. SUMMER STREAMFLOW

Streamflow following the spring peak decreases throughout the summer. This recession is rapid at first, but becomes slower as summer progresses. In late summer the flow curve would appear as an almost flat line if it were not for the daily evapotranspiration fluctuation. The fluctuation is much less pronounced and the reverse of that during snow melting in the spring—the rise occurring in the morning and the decrease in the afternoon (fig. 3c).

The normal summer streamflow curve is interrupted temporarily by rises caused by occasional rainstorms. Maximum heights of these rises vary considerably. Most of them are small in keeping with the size of the summer storms, and their only contribution to streamflow is the amount of water that falls directly into stream channels. But, if the watershed has been abused so that the soil on a small but critical area (in some cases 10 per cent or less) is exposed to the beating action of the rain, the surface soil becomes puddled; rain water fails to infiltrate as fast as it falls, and some of it runs over the surface to the channels. This overland flow may produce a mud-rock flood with an instantaneous peak much higher than the highest spring peak (fig. 2).



6 — Halfway stream gaging station after mud-rock flood of 10 August 1947. Tapes show width and depth of peak flow. (Forest Service photo # 451860.)

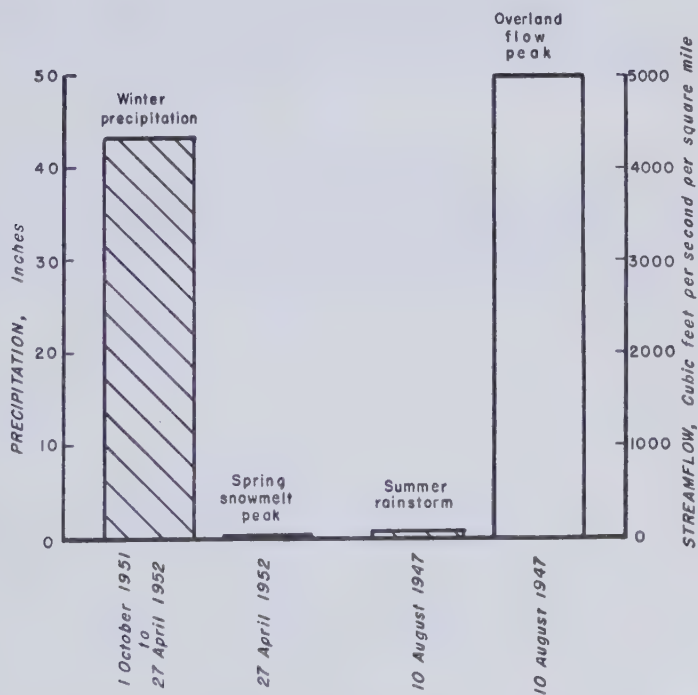


Fig. 7 — Contrast between a spring and summer streamflow peak and the precipitation that caused them.

In past years, soil on parts of Halfway Creek watershed, as on many other Intermountain watersheds, was so exposed by overgrazing. On 10 August 1947, a rainstorm of 0.79 in in 115 min with 0.42 in falling during the most intense 5-min period. This storm caused a surge of water, mud, rocks, and other debris that had a channel width of 28 ft and a depth of 8 ft (fig. 6). A discharge rate for this peak was estimated by means of the minimum energy relationship to be about 5,000 csm <sup>(3)</sup>.

The height of this summer flood peak contrasts sharply with the height of the maximum spring peak of 1952 (fig. 7). In the latter, the 43 in of precipitation accumulated at the index station at 6,850 ft elevation during the 7 mo, 1 October 1951 to 1 May 1952, resulted in a peak of 24 csm. In the former, 1/55 as much precipitation from an intense summer rainstorm produced a peak more than 200 times as high—5,000 csm (fig. 7).

Except for occasional interruptions by summer storms, flow of these streams continues to diminish throughout the summer and reaches a low point in late summer or early autumn. Minimum flow depends upon the date of the spring peak, height of spring peak, amount of precipitation during the summer, and the length of the growing season.

## 6. AUTUMN STREAMFLOW

The summer recession of streamflow ends in the autumn when killing frosts cause deciduous plants to shed their leaves. Evapotranspiration losses decrease and since streamflow is relatively low, a decrease in the high evapotranspiration losses of the riparian vegetation often results in a discernible increase in streamflow <sup>(2)</sup>.

Autumn rainstorms may sometimes begin wetting the dry soil but usually the buildup of the winter snowpack begins before the soil's capillary capacity is filled. Therefore, no surplus water is released to the streams until the snow melts in the spring and the flow of those streams that head in the high mountains remains almost constant throughout the winter. Ordinarily autumn has the smallest proportion of the average annual streamflow (table 1).

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## DISCONTINUITY OF DISCHARGE OF UKRAINIAN RIVERS

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Discontinuity of discharge is a typical feature of the hydrological regime of small rivers of the Ukraine and should be taken into consideration when carrying out measures for their rationalization. Under the conditions of the Ukraine, cessation of discharge may set in as a result of exhaustion (cessation) of feeding, as well as the passing of rivers into alluvial deposits, raising the bed; in areas of the occurrence of karst the stream may be absorbed by the karst system.

Cessation of discharge under natural conditions may set in during the warm season, when losses due to evaporation are not covered by the afflux, and in this case it is called drying; during the cold season, it may set in as a result of freezing of water on the surface and of the cessation of underground feeding; finally, cessation of discharge may set in at any season as a result of the stream passing (submerging) into a stratum of alluvial deposits or into a karst system. The conjunction of various natural factors affecting the discontinuity of the discharge of rivers makes it impossible, in many cases, to fix the exact dates of the beginning and end of this phenomenon and to determine its genesis. Thus, in the southern areas of the Ukraine, where the effective precipitations (forming the discharge) occur at lengthy intervals, and where cessation of discharge beginning in summer may last through the winter and vice versa, the genesis of the phenomenon may be only roughly established.

It should be noted that this phenomenon has been inadequately studied—not all small rivers are under systematic observation, and data covering long periods are lacking. In addition, observations are made difficult because of economic activity (water gates for various purposes, millways in rivers of different discharges, regulation of discharge, etc.). It is practically impossible to take into account all the diversified influences of human activity, and to estimate them quantitatively and differentiate them in time. Great difficulties arise on studying cessation of discharge in areas of karst occurrence (the Crimea, Donets Basin, Carpathians, Dnyesna area), where absorption of surface streams and interbasin migration of waters are possible.

The formation of the discharge of Ukrainian waters is due to surface (atmospheric) and underground feeding. The magnitude of the surface feeding depends on the regime of atmospheric precipitations (magnitude, intensity, distribution in time and area) and the degree of losses due to evaporation and infiltration. It is known that the sum of precipitations over long periods (a year, a season) varies uniformly in the plain area of the Ukraine. However the losses of precipitations by evaporation and infiltration depend on local conditions (inclination and membership of the basin, absorptive capacity of the soil) which ordinarily vary greatly over the area. Hence, equal sums of atmospheric precipitations may have diverse effects on the formation of the discharge in contiguous basins. Atmospheric precipitations cannot therefore be taken as indications for the characteristics of the discontinuity of river discharge.

The magnitude of the underground feeding depends on the thickness and productivity of the water-bearing horizons bared by the rivers and is therefore of a distinctly local character, changing sharply as one moves through the area. On the territory of the Ukraine, underground feeding does not in many cases secure constancy of discharge in small rivers.

These considerations lead to the conclusion that generalizations as to the discontinuity of the discharge of rivers can be drawn only in regards to certain districts, where the conditions of the underground and surface feeding change uniformly over the area. These same conditions indicate the inexpediency of drawing general conclusions about the discontinuity of discharge over large territories in the form of isolines, and the extremely limited opportunities for applying analogies. The characteristics of discontinuity of discharge of the small rivers of the Ukraine are, therefore, considered in respect to separate geomorphological districts of the territory, in which no sharp variations have been noted in the conditions of underground feeding of the rivers. Five such districts have been distinguished on the territory of the Ukraine: Seaboard,

Steppe, Central, Northern, Carpathian. When marking out the districts, consideration was given to the data on the discontinuity of discharge, and to the geomorphological, hydrogeological and climatic conditions.

1. *The Seaboard district* occupies the southern, most arid part of the territory of the Ukraine, adjoining in a narrow strip the shores of the Black and Azov Seas and including the Crimean peninsula. The northern boundary of the district passes approximately through the line: mouth of the Prut-Krivoy Rog, upper reaches of the Molochnaya River. The territory is level (except for the highlands of the Crimea), mostly covered by a thick loess layer, insufficiently moistened by atmospheric precipitations. The water-bearing horizons are in sands with interlayers of sandstones and limestones, as well as in Pontian limestones. The water-bearing horizons are covered by thick strata of loess (up to 20 m, and over), rarely opened up by valleys of small rivers and insignificant in the feeding of the latter. There are very favourable conditions in the district for considerable losses of precipitations due to evaporation and infiltration.

The discharge of rivers fed in this district is usually observed in spring and after rainfall. All the rivers of this district cease to discharge for a long time every year, and lack of it is more usual than presence of discharge. There have been cases when the absence of discharge lasted over a year (the rivers Tiligul, Sarata, Maly Kuyalnik) and even two years running (the Chikkleia, Bolshoi Kuyalnik). Absence of discharge is most often noted from May to February inclusive. No distinct dependence is noted for the rivers of this district, even qualitatively between the duration of absence of discharge and the water collection areas; in most cases the duration of absence of discharge increases with an increase in water collection area. With an insignificant amount of underground feeding, this circumstance is natural, since a considerable part of the discharge is expended along the river on evaporation and infiltration and cannot be compensated by the run-off formed in the upper part of the basin.

The subdistrict of the Crimean mountains is distinguished in this area. Here the precipitations are 2-2.5 times as great as on the surrounding plains and the evaporation losses are considerably less. Cessation of discharge of the Crimean rivers occurs in many cases as a consequence of their passing into a stratum of alluvial deposits, filling the channel, or into karst systems, where they usually continue to function. This latter circumstance has long been known to the local population, who have great experience in the utilization of such streams for economic purposes by accumulating their waters in river beds by means of various barriers.

The very intensive utilization of the waters of Crimean rivers for irrigation and water supply makes it difficult to determine exactly the length and the recurrence of periods of absence of discharge. In average figures, the duration of absence of discharge (to the surface) in ordinary years may be estimated as 2-3 months, in low-water years as 4-6 and in particularly dry years as 9-12 months.

A drainless-bottom subdistrict is also distinguished in the Seaboard district area. It is located between the Dnieper and Molochnaya rivers. The dry valleys of this area are filled with water, and streams may arise in them, only rarely, in spring after showers. However, these streams are temporary, rarely lasting more than 2-3 months. Even while the stream is functioning it does not reach the sea or a river with a constant flow, but is lost in the steppe, filling depressions in the relief.

2. *The Steppe district*, adjoining the Seaboard district, occupies a large part of the southern part of the Ukraine, its northern boundary passing near the arbitrary line of demarcation between the steppe and forest-steppe zones. The territory of the district is level, dismembered by a dense network of rivers and ravines, which sets up favourable conditions for the feeding of atmospheric waters into the river systems. This area is frequently affected by droughts, the recurrence of which is estimated as once in five years. The conditions of underground feeding of rivers are better here than in the adjoining Seaboard district, the river valleys baring water-bearing horizons in many cases; the underground feeding does not, however, ensure a constant flow of the rivers everywhere. Besides, there is in this district a great diversity in the conditions

underground feeding, both in adjoining rivers and along individual rivers (the Kodyma, Kuchurgan, Kogilnik, Tiligul, Konskaya, Samara, Mokrie Yaly and others).

Discharge frequently ceases for a long time in the rivers of this district too. There is also no definite dependence for the rivers of this district between the duration of absence of discharge and the water collection areas; many rivers of the district begin to dry up not in the upper reaches, but in the lower-lying sections (the Bereka, Konskaya, Kodyma, Orgol, Mertvovod, Michikleia, Yalpukh, Kogilnik, Byk, Kuchurgan and others).

In respect of discharge cessation conditions in the territory of the district, the subdistrict of the Donets Ridge (Donets Basin) is distinguished; here the geomorphological and climatic conditions are such that the duration of absence of discharge is shorter than in the contiguous areas of the district. The economic utilization of the Donets Basin rivers for water supply, as well as for run-off of mine and industrial waters, greatly complicates the study of the natural regime of the rivers. It may be noted that the regulation of the discharge of some Donets Basin rivers is as high as 100 per cent, while the run-off discharges constitute 13-18 per cent of the natural discharge (Krivoy Torets, Bolshaya Kamenka, Lugan).

Most of the rivers of the district have a discontinuous discharge; the greatest water collection area of the rivers with a discontinuous discharge is 9500 sq. km (the Oryol). The duration of absence of discharge varies within a considerable range; in very dry years it may last 6-7 months and in some rivers (Sarata, Aliyaga) up to 10-12 months. In the Donets Basin subdistrict the absence of discharge is in ordinary years 1-4 months, and in dry years up to 7 months.

A certain difference in the conditions of drying is noted in the right-bank and left-bank in respect to the Dnieper) parts of the district.

3. *The Central district* adjoins the Steppe district and occupies a considerable part of the territory of the Ukraine, its northern boundary passing approximately through the line: Bar - Myriv - Vorozhba. The surface is level, cut up by river valleys and ravines, which often open up water-bearing horizons. The district lies in a zone of normal moistening by atmospheric precipitations.

The conditions of the atmospheric and underground feeding of rivers may be considered satisfactory here; they cannot, however, ensure the constant flow of all rivers, especially in dry years. A feature of the district is the considerable diversity in the incidence and duration of absence of discharge and, especially, in the crystalline massif zone (basins of the Southern Bug, Stosi). It frequently happens here that of two adjacent rivers, one has a discontinuous discharge and the other a continuous one. Such cases are due to a sharp change in the underground feeding conditions.

The Dnieper valley divides the territory of the district into two parts, in which the conditions or discontinuity of discharge of the rivers differ to some extent.

In average figures, absence of discharge of small rivers in the district lasts 3-4 months in dry years, and 8-10 and even 12 months in very dry years.

4. *The Northern district* occupies the northern part of the territory of the Ukraine from the administrative borders to the Central district. On the west, it adjoins the Carpathian district, the line of demarcation between these districts passing approximately through the line: Sambor - Str - Kolomiya. The district is distinguished by normal, and in the western part by heavy moistening by atmospheric precipitations, dry periods occurring rarely. The district has extensive swampy areas, particularly in the basins of the right-bank tributaries of the Pripjat. The underground waters of the district occur near the surface, and are opened up in many places by river valleys; in such cases, good underground feeding is assured.

The conditions of atmospheric and underground feeding of the rivers thus ensure a continuous stream, and cessation of discharge is here regarded as an unusual event. Cessation of discharge may set in for short periods—in ordinary years up to 1 month, and in dry years up to 3-4 and even 6 months.



A subdistrict is distinguished here, having a considerable boggiess of area (10-20 per cent) and thick peat beds. Cessation of discharge in this subdistrict being so unusual and involving only small streams, it has to be taken into account only in very careful calculations.

5. *The Carpathian district* occupies the territory lying to the west of the line Sambor - Stry - Kolomiya. In this district there exist rivers belonging to the basins of the Tissy, Dniester, Prut. The presence of the Carpathian Mountains causes a considerable dismemberment of the area, great inclines, and sharp changes in the humidity conditions. The district lies in the zone of sufficient and heavy (at altitudes of over 500 m above sea level) moistening by atmospheric precipitations. Abundant and frequent rains, as well as relatively small losses due to evaporation and infiltration set up favourable conditions for the formation of continuous river discharges. Cessation of discharge in this district is observed only in small streams with basin areas up to 200 sq. km. and does not exceed four months. It may be noted that on the northeastern slopes of the Carpathians cessation of discharge is more probable in the winter months.

A narrow strip adjoining the Tissy River is distinguished by its geomorphological and climatic features. The discharge-forming conditions differ sharply here from mountain conditions - precipitations are less, inclines of the terrain are slight, and cessation of discharge is more probable than in the mountainous part. However, there is almost no necessity for taking into account these facts, since the area is covered by a network of drainage canals carrying the waters that enter into them when the Tissy overflows.

On the basis of an analysis of the data on the discontinuity of discharge of small rivers of the Ukraine, generalizations have been drawn for each district, and the most typical features of this phenomenon are given (see table 1).

*Characteristics of Discontinuity of Discharge of Small rivers of the Ukraine*

District	Greatest water-collecting areas of rivers with discontinuous discharge	Duration of periods of absence of discharge (in months)			Maximum probable periods of absence of discharge
		Ordinary years	Dry, low-water years	High during observation period	
1. Seaboard	No limitation of area	2-6	9-12	26	V-IX
2. Steppe	9 500	2-3	6-7	12	VI-VIII
3. Central	3 900	up to 1	3-4	12	VI-VIII
4. Northern	800	up to 1	2-4	6	VII-IX
5. Carpathian	200	—	up to 2	4	I-II

When determining the characteristics presented in table 1, it was, of course, impossible to take completely into consideration the local hydrogeological features having a substantial effect on the discontinuity of discharge of small rivers. With careful hydrological calculations, the real durations and recurrences of discontinuity of discharge must therefore be determined on the basis of investigations of streams in their localities.

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# III. PARTIE ADMINISTRATIVE

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### CALENDRIER AIDE MÉMOIRE.

### DIARY OF EVENTS REMINDER

#### 1. Colloque d'Athènes du 11 (et non du 12) au 20 octobre 1961

#### 1. Symposium at Athens 11-20 October (en not 12-20) 1961

a) Présentation des résumés avec nom d'auteur et titre — avant le 1<sup>er</sup> février 1961.

a) Delivery to Secretariat of summaries, each including author's name and title of paper, before 1<sup>st</sup> Febr. 1961.

b) Présentation des rapports complets — avant le 1<sup>er</sup> juin 1961.

b) Delivery to Secretariat of complete papers — before 1<sup>st</sup> June 1961.

#### 2. Colloque sur l'Erosion Continentale 1962 Bari (Italie)

#### 2. Symposium on Continental Erosion 1962 Bari (Italy).

Les premiers détails sont donnés dans ce bulletin.

The first details in this Bulletin.

#### 3. Colloque sur les fluctuations des glaciers actuels à Obergurgl (Tyrol) Autriche en septembre 1962. (du 10 au 18).

#### 3. Symposium on the variations of existing glaciers at Obergurgl (Tyrol) Austria 10-18 September 1962

Annoncer sa participation ou l'envoi d'une communication avant le 30 juin 1961. (à l'aide d'un formulaire à envoyer au Secrétaire de la Commission).

Any one who is likely to attend the Meeting, or to submit a paper should complete a form and send it to the Secretary of the Commission before 30th June 1961.



## 1. COMPTES - RENDUS DES SÉANCES DU CONSEIL ET DES ASSEMBLÉES GÉNÉRALES A HELSINKI EN JUILLET-AOUT 1960

### a) Réunion du conseil du 25-7-60

#### ORDRE DU JOUR

1. Rapport du Secrétaire. Discussion
2. Association de Glaciologie?
3. Comité des Nominations.
4. Relations avec l'UNESCO
5. Relations avec W.M.O.
6. Relations avec d'autres Organisations.
7. Bibliographie
8. Marées terrestres
9. Divers.

#### 1. *Discussion du rapport du Secrétaire et particulièrement de la situation financière actuelle.*

L'exposé du Secrétaire (voir le rapport du secrétaire, bulletin 18) et la discussion qui suivit furent très longs. La plupart des orateurs insistèrent sur la nécessité de limiter les dépenses pour publications tout en remarquant que ces publications ont pris une telle place dans le monde hydrologique qu'il ne peut être question de les réduire à des formes squelettiques, loin de là. D'autre part la possibilité d'obtenir des ressources plus élevées de l'U.G.G.I. est très problématique. Un comité de trois membres M. LANGBEIN, VOLKER et SCHUMSKY fera rapport sur cette question des publications.

#### 2. *Association de Glaciologie ?*

Le secrétaire fait part de la lettre de M. AVSIUK proposant la création d'une telle Association indépendante. Le Président propose la constitution d'un comité pour étudier cette question et faire rapport avant la fin de l'Assemblée. En feront partie : MM. WILM, TISON, AVSIUK, SCHUMSKY, FINSTERWALDER et WALD.

#### 3. *Comité des Nominations*

MM. SCHOELLER et DE QUERVAIN, membres de l'ancien Comité voudront bien prendre part aux travaux du nouveau comité dont fera également partie Monsieur AVSIUK.

#### 4. *Relations avec l'UNESCO*

Le Secrétaire, dans son rapport, a exposé l'état de ces rapports dont l'Association a lieu de se féliciter. Le Conseil lui demande de continuer dans la même voie.

Les autres points seront discutés au cours d'une séance ultérieure.

## b) Réunion du conseil du 28-7-60

### ORDRE DU JOUR

Identique à celui de la séance du 25/7/60.

1. La discussion est reprise sur la question des publications. Après divers exposés, on décide d'attendre les propositions du comité désigné au cours de la première séance.

2. La question de la création d'une Association de Glaciologie est remise à la séance suivante.

3. Il en est de même pour les propositions du Comité des Nominations.

4. Au sujet du Colloque sur les Ressources en Eaux Souterraines à organiser en collaboration avec l'Unesco, le Secrétaire précise qu'il aura lieu en Grèce au cours du dernier trimestre de 1961. Il signale également que plusieurs pays comme les Etats-Unis, l'U.R.S.S. ont déjà fait connaître leur intention de participer très sérieusement à ce colloque.

5. Le Secrétaire signale la création de la Commission hydrologique de l'O.M.M. Elle sera présidée par notre ami M. Kohler. Cette désignation est un gage pour l'avenir des relations entre les deux Associations.

La prochaine séance du Conseil aura lieu le 4 août à 14 h 30.

### Présents :

RAY K. LINSLEY	U.S.A.	R.N. WILSON	U.S.A.
MAX A. KOHLER	U.S.A.	WILLIAM C. ACKERMAN	U.S.A.
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L. SERRA	FRANCE	TONINI	ITALIE
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K. SZESZTAY	HUNGARY	JAKHELLN	NORWAY
W. FRIEDRICH	GERMANY	W.F.J.M. KRUL	NETHERLAND
P. KASSER	SPISSE	TIXERONT	TUNISIE
R.H. CLARK	CANADA	WILM, Président.	
W.B. LANGBEIN	U.S.A.	TISON L.J., Secrétaire.	

## c) Réunion du CONSEIL, du 4 août 1960

## c) COUNCIL Meeting of 4th Aug. 1960

### ORDRE DU JOUR

### AGENDA

1. Propositions du Comité de Nomination
2. Relations avec O.M.M.
3. Relations avec autres organisations
4. Neiges et Glaces
5. Publications de l'Assemblée d'Helsinki et Symposia

1. Proposals of the Nomination Committee
2. Relations with W.M.O.
3. Relations with other organizations
4. Snow and Ice
5. Publications

5. Publications futures
6. Bulletin
7. Bibliographie
8. Colloque sur Intertropical Geophysics
9. Conférence Internationale sur les nuages
10. Comité pour l'étude de la dynamique et de la morphologie des littoraux marins
11. Centenaire A.I.G.
12. Comité sur les isotopes en Géologie, la chimie du Globe, etc.
13. Service permanent des substances solides transportées
14. Marées terrestres
15. Hydrométrie
16. Faut-il deux Assemblées Générales partielles?
17. Comité International de Géophysique
18. Comité des Instruments
19. Colloque sur les changements climatiques
20. Cartes des Eaux souterraines
21. Questions pour 1963
22. Comité de Standardisation
23. CCTA — Commission de Coopération Technique en Afrique
24. Programmes.
25. Publications in the future
26. Bulletin
27. Bibliography
28. Symposium on Intertropical Geophysics
29. International Clouds Conference
30. Committee for the study of the Dynamics and Morphology of the Marine Littorals
31. 100 years I.A.G.
32. Committee on Isotop Geology, Geochemistry, etc.
33. Permanent Service of Sediments.
34. Tides of the Earth's Crusts
35. Hydrometry
36. One or two General Assemblies?
37. International Committee of Geophysics
38. Committee of Instruments
39. Symposium on climatic changes
40. Maps of Ground Waters
41. Questions for 1963
42. Committee on Standardization
43. C.G.T.A. Meeting of Nairobi
44. Programs

*présents :*

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SCHUBERT	GERMANY D.R.	K. SZESZTAY	HUNGARY
FRIEDRICH	GERMANY	ANTON JAKHELLN	NORWAY
ROPEZ DE AZCONA	ESPANA	A. VOLKER	HOLLAND
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KASSER	SCHWEIZ	S. BUCHAN	G.B.
H. CLARK	CANADA	H. KURON	GERMANY
FORANDINI	ITALY	H. WILM, President	
LIVERTI	ITALY	L.J., TISON, Secretary	

Le Conseil discute les propositions du Comité des nominations et établit la liste suivante.

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*Commission neiges et glaces*

Président : P.A. SHUMSKY (U.R.S.S.) Institut du Sol glacé, Cherkassky Per 2/10, Moscou B



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#### *Commission des eaux de surface*

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#### *Commission érosion continentale*

Président Prof. H. KURON (Allemagne) Ludwigstrasse, 23, Giessen  
 Vice-présidents: Dr. F. FOURNIER (France) B.I.S., rue Cuvier, 57, Paris 5e  
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Le Président H. WILM déclare que les présidents des Comités seront désignés par le nouveau  
 Président de l'A.I.H.S.

## 2. Relations avec O.M.M. — Relations with W.M.O.

Le Secrétaire présente un historique de ces relations et termine en faisant part de la création  
 de la Commission hydrologique de l'O.M.M. Le Secrétaire pense que l'A.I.H.S. n'  
 plus à discuter cette création et souhaite que les deux organisations fassent de leur mieux  
 pour avoir de bonnes relations et pour s'aider entre elles. Il signale enfin que l'O.M.M.  
 a décidé de donner à l'A.I.H.S., pour chacune des trois prochaines années, une subvention  
 de 500 \$ pour la bibliographie hydrologique.

## 3. Relations avec les autres organisations.

Le Secrétaire rappelle ce qu'il a dit dans son rapport financier et moral. Aucun commen  
 taire.

## 4. Le Président et le Secrétaire présentent les conclusions de la Commission chargée par l'Assemblée Générale de discuter la proposition de Monsieur AVSIUK tendant à la création d'une Association des Glaciers.

### *Résolution de la réunion tenue à Helsinki*

- 1) Il ne sera pas créé d'Association de Glaciologie au cours des trois prochaines années.
- 2) Le Président de la Commission des Neiges et des Glaces sera, ex officio, un membre  
 avec droit de vote, du Conseil de l'A.I.H.S.

3) La Commission des Neiges et des Glaces tiendra une Colloque sur les variations des glaciers actuels, en 1962.

4) Les Comités nationaux d'Hydrologie Scientifique établiront des sous-comités pour la neige et les Glaces et désigneront des correspondants nationaux pour cette commission.

Le rapport est adopté.

#### *Resolutions of meeting held in Helsinki*

1) No Association for Glaciology should be formed in the next 3 years.

2) The President of the Commission of Snow and Ice should be a voting member, ex-officio, of the Council of the Association of Scientific Hydrology.

3) The Commission of Snow and Ice will hold a Symposium on the variations in existing glaciers in 1962.

4) The National Committee for Scientific Hydrology should establish subcommittees for Snow and Ice and National Correspondents for the Commission of Snow and Ice.

Pour l'Assemblée d'Helsinki, dont on a commencé la publication des rapports, on continuera à publier toutes les publications présentées en temps utile.

Pour l'avenir, le Comité constitué lors de la réunion précédente du Conseil présente son rapport :

#### *Limitation du nombre de rapports sur l'hydrologie*

Le nombre toujours croissant de rapports présentés aux séances de l'A.I.H.S. et dont les frais de publication constituent une lourde charge pour le budget de l'Association, nous a conduit à examiner les mesures à prendre pour arriver à une limitation effective du nombre de rapports.

Afin d'élaborer à ce sujet des recommandations, un petit groupe de travail a été constitué dans lequel figurent :

A. VOLKER (Hollande) président

W.B. LANGBEIN (Etats-Unis)

P.A. SHOUMSKY (U.R.S.S.).

Ce groupe a rejeté la formule qui consisterait à limiter le nombre de publications à imputer aux frais de l'Association pour les pays-membres d'après les quotas payés par eux.

A l'unanimité le groupe s'est mis d'accord sur les recommandations suivantes :

1) Il y aura une sélection de rapports basée sur l'intérêt général et la qualité scientifique des rapports.

2) Les Comités Nationaux refuseront des rapports publiés antérieurement et indiqueront quels rapports seront destinés à être publiés ailleurs.

3) La sélection des rapports aura lieu séparément pour chacune des commissions de l'A.I.H.S.

4) Il sera formé au sein de chaque Commission un comité de sélection de trois personnes désigné par le Président de la Commission; le Président pourra être membre de ce comité.

5) Les comités de sélection se réuniront pendant les manifestations de l'Association pour choisir les rapports qui seront publiés en priorité aux frais de l'Association.

6) A titre informatif, l'administration de l'Association indiquera en temps opportun aux Comités Nationaux le maximum désirable de rapports à présenter par chaque pays; de cette façon il sera possible de procéder à une sélection préliminaire de papiers.

7) Les rapports des comités ne seront pas à la charge des quotas nationaux des auteurs.

8) Les délais pour l'envoi des rapports à l'administration de l'Association devront être scrupuleusement observés.

9) Les mesures envisagées ne seront pas applicables au Congrès 1960 de Helsinki.

### *Limitation of the number of papers on hydrology*

In view of the ever increasing number of papers presented at the meetings of the I. A. S. H. it was felt desirable to arrive at an effective limitation of the number of papers to be printed at the expense of the Association.

In order to make the necessary recommendations, a small study group was set up, consisting of the following members :

A. VOLKER (Holland), Chairman

W. B. LANGBEIN (U.S.A.)

P. A. SHOUMSKY (U.S.S.R.).

In lieu of the idea of adopting a certain maximum for the number of papers with allocations for the member countries in accordance with the quota paid by them, unanimously the group accepted the following recommendations :

1) There will be a screening of papers on the basis of general significance and scientific quality.

2) The National Committees will report that manuscripts submitted have not been published previously and will state which manuscripts are intended for publication elsewhere.

3) Screening will be carried out separately by each Commission of the I.A.S.H.

4) The President of each Commission will nominate a screening committee consisting of three members; he is free to consider himself as one of the members.

5) The screening committees will hold their sessions during the meetings of the Association to decide which of the papers presented at those meetings should have priority in printing.

6) By way of a first guide the officers of the Association will inform well ahead of the meetings the National Committees on the desirable maximum number of papers to be submitted by each country; in this way a preliminary screening of papers by the National Committees may be obtained.

7) Committee Reports will not be charged against the national quotas of the authors.

8) Deadlines for receipt of manuscripts should be rigorously observed.

9) The regulations mentioned above are not applicable to the Helsinki Congress 1960.

### 7. Bulletin

Sur proposition du Bureau, la résolution suivante est adoptée :

Chaque pays aura un représentant chargé :

1) de récolter des abonnements du Bulletin

2) de récolter de la publicité

3) de rassembler des communications pour le bulletin et de soumettre ces communications à un Comité national chargé d'émettre un avis sur leur valeur.

### 8. Bibliographie

La continuation de la publication de cette bibliographie, dans les mêmes conditions qu'précédemment, est décidée.

### 9. Colloque sur la Géophysique Intertropicale.

Le Conseil décide que l'Association doit s'intéresser à ce colloque (voir la résolution n° 3).

### 10. Le Conseil estime devoir intervenir à la Conférence des Nuages (voir résolution n° 6).

11. Le Conseil adopte une recommandation par laquelle l'Association marque son intérêt pour le Comité pour l'étude de la Dynamique et de la Morphologie des littoraux marins. C'est la résolution n° 5.

12. L'A.I.H.S. n'estime pas devoir s'occuper du centenaire de l'A.I.G.



Au sujet du Comité des Isotopes en Géologie et de la chimie du Globe, le Conseil décide d'associer l'A.I.H.S. à ces travaux. C'est la résolution 4.

A Toronto, Monsieur TIXERONT avait déjà marqué la nécessité d'avoir un organisme s'occupant de recueillir les données sur les transports solides en rivière. Plusieurs membres se sont demandé si la mission de la Commission actuelle des substances dissoutes ne pourrait pas être élargie pour s'occuper de sédiments.

Le Conseil n'est pas de cet avis car la Commission des substances dissoutes a quasi terminé sa tâche. La Commission de l'érosion continentale semble la mieux à même de s'occuper de ces problèmes.

Le Secrétaire rappelle que les fluctuations de certains puits ne peuvent s'expliquer qu'en faisant intervenir l'action des marées terrestres. Un comité de l'A.I.G. s'occupe de cette question et a offert sa collaboration. Le Conseil marque son accord pour une semblable collaboration (résolution 7).

Le Conseil accepte la proposition introduite à la demande de Monsieur LASZLOFFY par le Secrétaire d'établir un Comité sur l'Hydrométrie (recommandation 8).

Le Conseil n'estime pas intéressant de scinder les Assemblées Générales.

Le Conseil marque l'intérêt de l'Association et surtout de sa Commission des Neiges et des Glaces pour le Comité International de Géophysique.

La création d'un comité d'Hydrométrie dont l'activité s'étendra aux instruments rend inutile le Comité des Instruments qui, fondé depuis 1951 n'a encore donné aucun résultat positif réel.

Le Conseil marque l'Intérêt de l'Association pour le Colloque sur les changements Climatiques (résolution n° 1).

#### Cartes des Eaux Souterraines.

Le Secrétaire rappelle que la Commission des Eaux Souterraines a constitué un Comité chargé d'examiner la question de la standardisation de ces cartes. Le comité a tenu plusieurs réunions et est arrivé à des conclusions qui ont été exposées dans les Comptes-rendus et Rapports; publication n° 52 de l'A.I.H.S.

Le Conseil fait siennes ces conclusions. Il est à remarquer que le Comité en question tout en ayant pu donner satisfaction au Comité des Zones Arides de l'UNESCO pour les cartes à petite échelle, doit continuer ses travaux pour les cartes à grande échelle. Le Comité devra se réunir avant la prochaine Assemblée Générale.

2. Questions à mettre à l'étude pour l'Assemblée Générale. Elles sont ou seront établies par chaque commission et chaque comité. L'ensemble de ces questions est donné dans ce bulletin.

3. La question du Comité de Standardisation est discutée. Le Secrétaire estime qu'il doit subsister et coordonner son travail avec celui de la Commission hydrologique de l'O.M.M. Adopté.

4. Commission de Coopération technique en Afrique. Cette commission organise un colloque sur l'hydrologie à Nairobi en janvier 1961. Elle nous a aimablement invité à nous faire représenter. Monsieur Rodier est désigné à cet effet.

25. Monsieur LACLAVÈRE, secrétaire général de l'U.G.G.I. a demandé que les Associations lui fassent parvenir leurs programmes à longue échéance. Ce programme pourrait servir à établir le rôle que joue l'U.G.G.I. dans le développement de la science et les profits que peuvent en retirer les nations qui s'intéressent à cette Union. Ce programme, par commission, constitue l'Annexe III.

26. Le Secrétaire porte le télégramme suivant à la connaissance du Conseil.  
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Attention professeur TISON inondation désastreuse en Carpathes occidentales m'empêche de quitter Pologne stop suis navré ne pouvoir pas prendre part session aihis stop souhait fructueux résultats pour le bien commun de tous pays stop envoie meilleurs vœux au bureau de l'Association et à tous participants à la session. Prof. Dr. JULIAN LAMBOR POLOGNE.

### ANNEXE I

#### TEXTE FRANÇAIS DES RECOMMANDATIONS ADOPTÉES À HELSINKI

Association Internationale d'Hydrologie  
Scientifique

#### Résolution n° 1

Considérant que l'UNESCO envisage d'organiser en étroite collaboration avec l'Organisation Météorologique Mondiale, en 1961 à Rome un Colloque sur les changements climatiques avec les sujets suivants :

- 1) Critères pour la détermination des tendances des fluctuations climatiques.
- 2) Données nécessaires pour déterminer les changements climatiques.
- 3) Techniques, par exemple utilisation de radio-carbone dendrochronologie, paléorotanique, mesures de températures paléologiques, fluctuation des glaciers, etc.
- 4) Théories des changements climatiques.
- 5) Faits saillants des fluctuations climatiques.
- 6) Conséquences des changements climatiques sur la geomorphologie, les sols et l'écologie des plantes et des animaux.
- 7) Recherches futures.

L'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique exprime par la présente Résolution, le désir de participer à ce très important Colloque.

#### Résolution n° 2

Considérant la nécessité d'une étude de la variation des glaciers existants.

L'Association Internationale d'Hydro-

### ANNEX I

#### ENGLISH TEXT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED AT THE HELSINKI ASSEMBLY

International Association of Scientific  
Hydrology

#### Resolution No. 1

Whereas the UNESCO in close cooperation with WMO is planning a symposium to be held in Rome in 1961 on climatic changes with the following topics:

- 1) Criteria for the determination of climatic fluctuation trends.
- 2) Data requirements for determining climatic change.
- 3) Technique, e.g. radio-carbon dating, dendrochronology, paleobotany, paleotemperature, measurements, glacier fluctuations, etc.
- 4) Theories of climatic change.
- 5) Salient facts of climatic fluctuations.
- 6) Implications of climatic changes for geomorphology, soils and ecology of plant and animals.
- 7) Future research.

It is resolved that the International association of Scientific Hydrology wishes to participate in this most important symposium.

#### Resolution No. 2

Whereas it is considered necessary to study the variations in existing glaciers. it is resolved that the International

Scientifique soumet la Résolution qu'un colloque sur la variation des Glaciers soit tenu en 1962 à Obergürzl (Autriche).

#### *Résolution n° 3*

Considérant que l'Institut de Géophysique de Huancayo, organisme officiel du Gouvernement Péruvien, propose qu'une Conférence Internationale sous le patronage commun de l'U.G.G.I., de l'U.R.S.I. et de l'I.G.G. soit tenue au Pérou en 1961.

Considérant que le but de cette Conférence doit être d'examiner et de discuter des problèmes de géophysique équatoriale et de saisir l'occasion de définir les domaines d'investigation géophysique pour lesquels les zones équatoriales offrent des caractéristiques spéciales pour les programmes expérimentaux.

Considérant que ces caractéristiques offrent les possibilités d'un important travail en hydrologie, en océanographie et en météorologie.

L'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique émet, par la présente Résolution, le désir de participer à cette importante Conférence.

#### *Résolution n° 4*

Considérant qu'un Comité Spécial sur la Géologie des Isotopes, la géochimie, la détermination de l'âge et de la radioactivité des Roches, de la Commission de Géochimie a été constitué en vue d'examiner ses rapports avec l'U.G.G.I.

L'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique qui porte un intérêt aux travaux de ce Comité Spécial demande à être tenue informée de l'activité du dit Comité.

#### *Résolution n° 5*

Considérant que le Comité National de Géodésie et Géophysique de l'U.R.S.S. a proposé la création d'un Comité pour l'étude de la Dynamique et la Morphologie du littoral marin.

Considérant que l'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique ne s'est pas jusqu'à présent engagée dans l'étude de tels sujets en dépit des nombreux avantages pouvant résulter de la connaissance de ces phénomènes.

Association of Scientific Hydrology shall hold a symposium on variations in existing glaciers at Obergürzl in Austria during 1962.

#### *Resolution No. 3*

Whereas the Huancayo Geophysical Institute, an official organism of the Peruvian Government, proposes that an International Conference on Equatorial Geophysics to be held in Peru in 1961 under the cosponsorship of I.U.G.G., U.R.S.I., and C.I.G.

Whereas the objective of the Conference would be to revise and discuss problems in equatorial geophysics and to provide an opportunity to define areas of geophysical investigation for which the equatorial zones offer special characteristics for experimental programs.

Whereas these characteristics provide opportunity for important work in hydrology, oceanography and meteorology.

THEREFORE it is resolved that the International Association of Scientific hydrology wishes to participate in this most important conference.

#### *Resolution No. 4*

Whereas an Ad Hoc Committee on Isotope Geology, Geochemistry, Age Determinations and Radio-Activity of Rocks (CIGAR) of the Commission on Geochemistry has been established to consider its relationship with I.U.G.G.

It is resolved that the International Association of Scientific Hydrology has an interest in the work of the Ad Hoc Committee and requests to be kept informed of the proceedings of said Committee.

#### *Resolution No. 5*

Whereas the Soviet National Committee of Geodesy and Geophysics has proposed the creation of a Committee for the Study of the Dynamics and Morphology of the Marine Littorals.

Whereas the International Association of Scientific Hydrology has not hitherto been involved in studies of the above subjects despite the many advantages to be gained from a knowledge of these phenomena.



L'A.I.H.S. demande dans le cas où serait constitué dans l'U.G.G.I. un Comité chargé de l'étude de ces problèmes scientifiques, à participer aux travaux du dit Comité.

#### *Résolution n° 6*

Considérant que l'Académie des Sciences de l'Australie et le C.S.I.R.O. préparent une Conférence Internationale sur la Physique des Nuages, qui sera dirigée par la Division de Radio-physique du C.S.I.R.O. et se tiendra en Australie en septembre 1961.

Considérant que les organisateurs de cette Conférence ont exprimé le vœu que la Conférence soit tenue sous les auspices de l'U.G.G.I.

L'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique, qui a une Commission des Précipitations, très intéressée par cette question, demande à participer à cette Conférence, si l'U.G.G.I. donne son approbation.

#### *Recommandation 7*

L'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique marque son intérêt pour une collaboration avec le Comité des Marées Terrestres pour l'étude de la question des fluctuations du niveau de certains puits sous l'action des mouvements de l'écorce terrestre.

#### *Recommandation 8*

L'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique décide d'établir un Comité qui reprendra notamment le travail de son Comité des instruments mais étendra son action à tout le domaine de l'Hydrométrie. L'association offre la collaboration de ce Comité à la Commission d'Hydrométéorologie de l'Organisation Météorologique Mondiale. Commission d'Hydrométéorologie de diale.

La même offre est étendue à l'action du Comité de Standardisation de l'AIHS.

It is resolved that in the event a Committee is established in I.U.G.G. to investigate these scientific matters, the International Association of Scientific Hydrology will participate in its work.

#### *Resolution No. 6*

Whereas the Australian Academy of Sciences and C.S.I.R.O. are sponsoring an International cloud Physics Conference to be conducted by the C.S.I.R.O. Division of Radiophysics, to be held in Australia during September 1961.

Whereas the organizers of the conference have expressed the wish that the Conference will come under the auspices of I.U.G.G.

It is resolved that inasmuch as the International Association of Scientific Hydrology has a Commission on Precipitation and is very much interested in this matter, the Association wishes to participate in the Conference providing the I.U.G.G. approves such action.

#### *Recommandation 7*

The International Association of Scientific Hydrology expresses its wish to collaborate with the Committee of Terrestrial Tides in studying the question of the fluctuations of water level in wells under the influence of movements of the earth's crust.

#### *Recommandation 8*

The International Association of Scientific Hydrology resolves to establish a committee which, whilst pursuing in particular its work hitherto of the Committee on Instruments, will extend its activities over the whole field of Hydrometry. The Association offers the collaboration of this committee to the Commission for Hydrological Meteorology of the World Meteorological Organization.

The same offer is extended to the Committee on Standardization of the Association.

## *ANNEXE II*

### PROGRAMME D'AVENIR DES QUATRE GRANDES COMMISSIONS DE L'A.I.H.S.

#### A. COMMISSION DES EAUX DE SURFACE

L'eau est un élément indispensable à la vie. Sur le plan économique et humain, la cro

ce continue des besoins en eau exige l'emploi le plus judicieux des ressources naturelles, qui implique la connaissance la plus exacte possible des méthodes d'évaluation et des ressources en vue d'une répartition équitable entre tous.

Les besoins en eau couvrent pratiquement la presque totalité des activités humaines : alimentation, hygiène, irrigation, production d'énergie électrique, navigation intérieure, et sous un angle un peu différent : protection contre les crues.

Dans de nombreuses régions du globe, et bientôt dans toutes, suivant les estimations les plus récentes, les besoins arrivent au niveau des ressources, qu'il n'est pas concevable de gaspiller.

Le rôle des hydrologues consiste à déterminer l'importance de ces ressources et leur variabilité dans le temps et dans l'espace.

Au sein de l'Association Internationale d'Hydrologie Scientifique, la Commission des Eaux de Surface a pour mission essentielle l'étude du cycle de l'eau sur le plan scientifique et de fournir une base solide aux techniciens chargés de la réalisation des ouvrages et aménagements.

Pour cette étude la Commission procède au Contrôle hydrologique des bassins versants et à l'analyse systématique des facteurs qui conditionnent les débits des fleuves et rivières. L'exploitation permanente d'un réseau de plus en plus étendu de station de jaugeage permet de tenir à jour l'inventaire des ressources en eaux de surface et des possibilités d'alimentation des nappes souterraines.

Les questions les plus particulièrement étudiées au cours des dernières sessions ont été :  
— l'étude systématique des crues, de leurs causes et leur propagation en vue de permettre la mise en œuvre des moyens propres à préserver les vies humaines et les biens.

— l'étude des bas débits et des sécheresses dont les conséquences peuvent, du moins en certaines régions du globe, devenir très graves (disettes, famines);

— et entre ces extrêmes l'étude des débits moyens qui est également d'un intérêt primordial pour régler au mieux les possibilités d'approvisionnement en eau des populations, l'irrigation des cultures, et les besoins industriels.

Pour cet ensemble d'études la Commission des Eaux de Surface a constitué des Comités permanents chargés de l'examen et de l'analyse de problèmes spéciaux, tels que l'évaporation et l'évapotranspiration, les précipitations, les instruments et méthodes de mesure, la standardisation et ces méthodes.

En plus, des Assemblées Générales triennales sont organisées des Symposia où se rassemblent les spécialistes de ces divers domaines.

Au cours de ces rencontres les hydrologues de tous les pays du monde ont la possibilité de confronter leurs méthodes d'études, et l'enseignement qu'ils tirent de cette confrontation internationale est un élément essentiel de progrès dans la connaissance des ressources en eau du Globe.

## B. FUTURE PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE COMMISSION OF SNOW AND ICE

1. To hold symposia on special aspects of our field of study between each General Assembly.

A symposium on «The variations of the regime of existing glaciers» is to be held in Oberurgl, Austria in Sept. 1962.

2. In the purpose of organising our work and preparing the papers for publication the Commission will be sub-divided into four parts:

- 1) Glaciers
- 2) Seasonal Snow Cover
- 3) Sea, River, Lake Ice
- 4) Ground Ice.

The purpose of these sub-divisions will be to interest workers in these subjects which do not

at present attend our meetings, so that everyone with interest in ice on the earth will be brought together. Dr. De Quervain has been appointed to cover 2), Dr. Pounder 3), and Dr. Bender 4).

3. Group 1)—glaciers—has set up a sub-committee to prepare a document setting out the measurements which should be made in all glaciated countries so as to record from time to time the variations in the regime of existing glaciers, they are to recommend the methods of collecting the records publishing them. The observations in the various countries will be organised through the National correspondents of the Commission.

4. At a later stage a similar task will be undertaken to record the variations in sea ice cover. A world-wide similar task could be undertaken on seasonal snow cover and ground ice cover.

In this way the commission would eventually obtain a much more accurate estimate of the levelled ice content and its distribution as well as its variation from time to time.

## C. COMMISSION ON SUBTERRANEAN WATERS (General programme)

### *Introduction*

The Commission on Subterranean Waters aims at promoting the science and knowledge of hydrogeology both from a purely scientific and from a practical point of view. In this connection the following can be said.

Fresh water is the most indispensable element for the development of human life. The rapidly growing demand for it for domestic, agricultural and industrial purposes requires judicious and economic exploitation of the world's fresh-water resources.

Fresh water occurs as surface and as subterranean water, and part of it is present in the form of snow and ice. Surface and ground water together constitute the water resources which the development of human society has to be founded. Although the amounts of surface water surpass by far the amounts of ground water, the latter are not of less importance to man. In arid and semi-arid regions, where surface water generally is absent or available during short periods only, water supply has to rely mainly on the ground-water resources. But also in humid areas, ground water is becoming more and more important for water-supply purposes because of the increasing pollution of the surface waters. At the same time it becomes more and more necessary to safeguard the ground water resources from the dangers of pollution.

It is, therefore, of the utmost importance to develop efficient and reliable methods for the exploration, exploitation and conservation of the ground-water resources for water-supply purposes. The Commission on Subterranean Waters sees it as its first task to assist in the development of such methods and to further the theoretical and practical knowledge required for the object.

Apart from water supply, there are other important fields where ground water has to be dealt with:

- land reclamation, drainage, irrigation;
- ground-water problems in connection with civil engineering;
- waste disposal;
- mining; etc.

Also here the Commission on Subterranean Waters aims at promoting the knowledge and methods needed to deal with these problems.

### *Programme for the near future*

With a view to the general aims as outlined above, the Commission on Subterranean Waters intends to pay special attention to the following items in the coming years.

- The fundamental theories of the movement of water through porous and fissured media;
- Field methods for the collection of hydrogeological information (e.g. geophysical methods, use of tracers).



- Analytical and other methods for the investigation of various types of ground-water systems (including e.g. the use of analog models).
- Arid-zone hydrology.
- Methods of increasing the supply of usable water, including methods of artificial recharge of the ground water and methods of conservation of ground water both from a quantitative and from a qualitative point of view.
- Salt-water encroachment and other phenomena connected to the simultaneous occurrence of salt and fresh ground water.
- Geochemistry.
- Standardization in hydrogeological work wherever it is useful, as in the collection, elaboration and registration of hydrogeological data; in the instruments used in field work; the methods of making hydrogeological maps.

#### *Working methods*

- The Commission tries to fulfill its purposes through.
- the exchange of experience and knowledge at the meetings of the Commission during General Assemblies of I.U.G.G.;
  - the organisation of symposia on special subjects which are opportune at that moment;
  - the initiating and promotion of special studies, if necessary through the formation of special committees or subcommissions;
  - the promotion of personal contacts between the hydrogeologists in the world;
  - a close collaboration with the other commissions of the I.A.S.H. and with the other associations of the I.U.G.G.;
  - a close collaboration with the other international organisations dealing directly or indirectly with hydrogeology;
  - the co-ordination of research and investigations, e.g. by promoting the collaboration between the different permanent services working in the field in question;
  - collaboration in the publication of the hydrological bibliography of the I.A.S.H.;
  - publication of the scientific papers presented at the meetings and of other papers or reports considered of importance.

#### COMMISSION DE L'ÉROSION (Programme Général)

##### *Agropédologie*

1. Rapports de l'érosion du sol avec le bilan hydrologique: Pluie, ruissellement, infiltration, emmagasinement par le sol, évapotranspiration, percolation. Influence des autres éléments du climat.
2. Rapport de l'érosion du sol avec le substratum, les caractéristiques des sols : structure, texture, état physico-chimique, caractères mécaniques et hydrodynamiques, porosité, perméabilité).
3. Rapport de l'érosion avec les pratiques agricoles et l'application des divers procédés agrolologiques et mécaniques de conservation des sols. Effets de la couverture végétale.

#### D. COMMISSION OF LAND EROSION (General Program)

##### *I. Agropédology*

1. Relations between soil erosion and hydrological balance : Rain—Runn-off, Infiltration—soil storage—evapotranspiration—precolation—other climatic elements.
2. Relation between soil erosion and substratium, soil characteristics (structure, texture, mechanical and hydro-dynamical properties, porosity, permeability, etc.).
3. Relation between soil erosion and agriculture practices, and agricultural and mechanical means of soil conservation. Effects of vegetal cover.

4. Migrations des éléments du sol. Incidences agronomiques.

5. Cartographie des effets et des facteurs de l'érosion. Cartes d'aménagement et d'exploitation optimum.

6. Equipement des stations expérimentales, programmes de recherche, instruments de mesure, notamment : mesure de humidité des sols, d'énergie cinétique de la pluie, appareils d'aspersion, essais mécaniques, physiques et chimiques.

## II. *Hydrologie : cours d'eau et glaciers, circulations souterraines*

1. Erosion et transport des produits en solution ou non dissous (Débit de fond et en suspension) par les cours d'eau, les circulations karstiques et les glaciers actuels. Caractéristiques des matériaux transportés.

2. Erosion des berges, abrasion des bassins versants, glissements de terrain.

3. Dépôt de produits d'érosion dans les champs d'inondations, dans les lacs, dans la mer ou dans les dépôts glaciaires. Effets des barrages.

4. Prévision des transports insolubles ou en dissolution. Billan Physico-chimique. Matières minérales et organiques.

5. Relation des tonnages transportés avec :

- a) — le climat : pluie (volume, énergie cinétique, agressivité), autres éléments du climat (température, rayonnement, évapotranspiration)
- b) — le substratum géologique : lithologie, topographie
- c) — l'érosion du sol : Agropédologie.

6. Instruments de mesures sur les cours d'eau, sur les barrages, etc.

## III. *Géophysique*

1. Erosion et tectonique. En particulier tendances introduites par les mouvements actuels ou récents de la croûte terrestre, effets de l'érosion et de la sédimentation sur la tectonique.

2. Erosion et âge stratigraphique du substratum.

3. Erosion et paléoclimatologie.

4. Morphologie des cours d'eau — stabilité des chenaux.

## IV. *Erosion colienne*

4. Migration of soil elements—Agricultural consequences.

5. Cartography of effects and factors of erosion—Maps of optimum soil management and use.

6. Equipment of experimental stations—programme of research, measurement instruments, specially soil humidity, rain energy, sprinklers, mechanical, physical and chemical tests.

## II. *Hydrology, surface and underground waters, glaciers*

1. Erosion and transpiration of materials in solution insoluble (bed load and suspended load) by streams, underground circulation and glaciers. Characteristics of transported materials.

2. Bankerosion, abrasion, of watershed landslides.

3. Deposition of erosion products in flood plains, lakes, sea, or glacier thermals. Effect of dams.

4. Prediction of transports, insoluble or soluble. Physico chemical balance—Mineral and organic products.

5. Relation between transported weight and :

- a) climatic : rain (volume, kinetic energy, aggressivity, intensity) other elements of climate temperature, radiation, evapotranspiration.
- b) substratum : lithology—topography

6. Instruments, measurement stations on streams, dams, etc.

## III. *Geophysics*

1. Erosion and tectonics—special trends produced by recent or actual movements of the earth's crust. Effects of erosion and sedimentation on tectonics.

2. Erosion and stratigraphic age of formations.

3. Erosion and paleoclimatology.

4. Stream morphology—stability of channels.

A côté des ces grandes commissions, il faut noter les comités suivants :

#### *Comité des Précipitations*

Rien n'est aussi mal connu que la répartition spatiale et temporaire des précipitations. Le Comité s'efforcera surtout d'acquérir une meilleure connaissance de cette répartition. Au point de vue l'étude des appareils et des méthodes de mesure prend une importance de tout premier plan, mais l'étude des résultats, l'influence des divers éléments, comme l'altitude, le régime des vents, la pente, etc., la question des précipitations solides, celles des chutes occultes, etc. présentent une multiplicité quasi sans fin de problèmes dont l'importance pour toutes applications de l'hydrologie est énorme. (Navigation, puissance motrice, irrigation, drainage, alimentation en eau, etc. etc.).

#### *Comité de l'évaporation et de l'évapotranspiration*

Le programme publié plus loin n'est qu'une brève esquisse de l'étude de cette question qui est peut-être le point primordial de l'hydrologie à l'heure actuelle quand la plus grande partie de la surface du globe manque d'eau : la solution la plus aisée à cette disette généralisée n'est-elle pas une étude des pertes par évaporation.

#### *Comité de l'Hydrométrie*

L'importance d'un tel comité saute aux yeux. Comme on le disait ci-dessus, la plus grande partie de la surface du globe manque d'eau. Pour y porter remède, il faut pouvoir mesurer ce dont on dispose, mesurer aussi ce qui serait nécessaire.

En collaboration avec le Comité d'Hydrologie de l'O.M.M., notre Comité de l'hydrométrie a devant lui un champ bien vaste à étudier.

Il en est de même du rôle du :

*Comité de Standardisation* qui a partie liée avec le précédent.

#### *Comité des Cartes des Eaux Souterraines*

L'eau souterraine reste la ressource la plus prisée de l'eau alimentaire. Des cartes donnant les caractéristiques tant physiques que chimiques aussi bien que l'«abondance» et les possibilités d'exploitation de ces eaux sont appelées à rendre les plus grands services aux utilisateurs d'une part, aux hommes de science d'autre part.

L'A.I.H.S. joue un rôle de pionnier dans ce domaine où son exposition d'Helsinki a été un coup de maître.

#### *Note sur l'Érosion glaciaire*

Au congrès de Toronto, j'avais demandé à certains membres de la Commission Neige et Glace s'il n'était pas intéressant de mettre à l'étude l'érosion glaciaire, comme cela est fait pour celle qui est causée par les eaux superficielles et souterraines. Cette suggestion n'avait pas rencontré d'écho, les personnalités consultés ayant été d'avis que ce phénomène était peu important dans les conditions actuelles, à part des cas spéciaux.

Depuis Toronto, j'ai eu l'occasion de voir des cours d'eau glaciaires transportant une importante quantité de sédiments. D'autre part, M. Lanzen, dans le Bulletin N° 10 de l'Association d'hydrologie de 1958 a donné les taux d'abrasion suivants pour deux cours d'eau des Alpes :

Bassin de Venter Ache, partie	
englacée, (46% du bassin)	3000t/km <sup>2</sup>
Lech, non englacée	35t/km <sup>2</sup>

Non seulement l'érosion du Venter Ache est énormément supérieure à celle du Lech, mais elle atteint les taux les plus élevés constatés dans des régions Méditerranéennes particulièrement sujettes à l'érosion.

Cette observation paraît être confirmée par les observations des ingénieurs qui ont eu à construire des prises d'eau sous glaciaires.



D'autre part, M. Jevtaye, dans un rapport présenté à Helsinki évalue à 100t/km<sup>2</sup> environ l'abrasion par les glaciers de l'Antarctique. Il est vraisemblable que le régime de l'érosion par les inlandsis est assez différent de celui de l'érosion par les glaciers Alpains. Bien que M. Lanzetta ait procédé dans son étude référencée à une extrapolation du Venter Ache à l'ancien inlandsis Alpin.

Cependant toutes ces observations concourent pour mettre en question l'érosion glaciaire et pour soulever ce problème de nouveau à la Commission Neige et Glace, à qui devraient être soumises en particulier les suggestions suivantes :

1. Dans toutes les études sur les glaciers actuels, faire l'évaluation de l'abrasion, du transport des produits d'abrasion par les cours d'eau sous glaciaires, et par les glaciers eux-mêmes.

2. Si la Commission Neige et Glace décidait de sélectionner pour ses travaux futurs des sujets d'études particuliers, celui de l'érosion glaciaire ne mériterait-il pas un ordre urgent de rapport avec son importance apparente?

#### d) Assemblée générale du 26 juillet 1960 à 14 30 h

Cette Assemblée fut particulièrement consacrée à la présentation de l'Adresse Présidentielle de Monsieur WILM et à celle du Rapport du Secrétaire.

Ces deux documents ont été publiés dans le bulletin N° 18.

Après la présentation du rapport, le Président Monsieur WILM remercie le Secrétaire et sa famille pour le travail qu'ils ont fourni et le développement qu'ils ont donné à l'Association. Il présente alors à l'Assemblée la liste du Comité des Nominations : MM. SCHOELLER, QUERVAIN, AVSIUK ainsi que celle du Comité chargé d'étudier s'il faut créer une Association de Glaciologie : Messieurs WILM, TISON, AVSIUK, SCHUMSKY, FINSTERWALDER, WARD.

Le Secrétaire remercie particulièrement les représentants de l'UNESCO et de l'O.M.M.

#### e) Assemblée générale du 5 août 1960 à 14 h 30

##### List of attendance

A. VOLKER	HOLLAND	H. SCHOELLER	FRANCE
L. SERRA	FRANCE	J. RODIER	FRANCE
G. MORANDINI	ITALIA	M. MANSELL-MOULLIN	U.K.
G. ALIVERTI	ITALIA	C.L. WALKER	U.S.A.
S. SCHMORAK	ISRAEL	R. LEBRICHT	U.S.A.
M. GOLDSCHMIDT	ISRAEL	J.V. SUTCLIFFE	U.K.
S. MANDEL	ISRAEL	SAGHAYROON EL ZEIN	SUDAN
W. FRIEDRICH	GERMANY	H. SIMOJAKI	FINLAND
C.C. WALLEN	SWEDEN	N. KOROLEFF	FINLAND
G.E. HARBECK JR.	U.S.A.	A. SIREN	FINLAND
O. LEPPANEN	U.S.A.	R.H. CLARK	CANADA
A.S. BRUGGEMAN	HOLLAND	J.P. BRUCE	CANADA
I. LUNDAGER JENSEN	DENMARK	P. KASSER	SUISSE
FRODE EBERT	DENMARK	P.O. WOLF	U.K.
H. VAN WIJNGAARDEN	HOLLAND	J.E. NASH	U.K.
G. SANTING	NETHERLANDS	T. O' DONNELL	U.K.
W. KRUL	NETHERLANDS	VÖLK	GERMANY
G.B. MAXEY	U.S.A.	D. DIACONU	R.P. ROUMAN
W.H. DURUM	U.S.A.	V. DIMITRESCU	R.P. ROUMAN
LOPEZ DE AZCONA	ESPANA	V.I. KACHOUK	U.S.S.R.
CH. SAFADI	U.A.R.	K. SZESZATY	HUNGARY

BOGOMOLOV	U.S.S.R.	A. DOLGOUGHINE	U.S.S.R.
POPOV	U.S.S.R.	P.A. SHUMSKY	U.S.S.R.
A. AUGUWO	FINLAND	J.Z. ZUMBERGE	U.S.A.
TON JACKHELLN	NORWAY	W.O. FIELD	U.S.A.
N. WILSON	U.S.A.	H. SCHUBERT	GERMANY D.R.
A. KOHLER	U.S.A.	K. STELCZER	HUNGARY
B. LANGBEIN	U.S.A.	K. UBELL	HUNGARY
F. SNYDER	U.S.A.	R. SNEYERS	BELGIQUE
AVSIUK	U.S.S.R.		

#### ORDRE DU JOUR :

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3. Neiges et Glaces.
4. Publications futures.
5. Bulletin.
6. Colloques envisagés.
7. Hydrométrie et Instruments.
8. Cartes des Eaux Souterraines.

1. La liste des nouveaux dirigeants de l'Association et de ses Commissions telle qu'elle a été adoptée par le Conseil en sa séance du 4 août est présentée. Aucune objection. Monsieur WILM prend la parole. Il dit les mérites du nouveau président et lui souhaite un triennat fécond. Monsieur WILM remercie les membres de l'Association de leur collaboration si effective. Il s'adresse particulièrement au Secrétaire et à sa famille dont il loue le travail continu.

Monsieur FRIEDRICH remercie et fera son possible pour maintenir l'A.I.H.S. au niveau qu'ils ont portée ses prédécesseurs.

2. Le Secrétaire présente les résolutions et recommandations. Aucune Objection.

3. Il donne également lecture de la conclusion des travaux du Comité pour les Neiges et Glaces conclusion admise par le Conseil et reprise dans le Compte-rendu de sa réunion du 4 août.

4. Il fait aussi part de la nouvelle décision relative aux publications futures (voir la même séance du Conseil).

5. Il donne connaissance de la décision du Conseil au sujet du bulletin.

6. Il signale les divers colloques envisagés pour 1961 et 1962 (voir Conseil).

7. Il fait part de la disparition du Comité des Instruments et la naissance du Comité Hydrométrie.

8. Il porte brièvement à la connaissance de l'Assemblée les conclusions du Comité des Cartes des Eaux Souterraines (voir publication 52 de l'A.I.H.S.).

La séance est levée à 19h.

#### 1. Colloque d'Athènes sur les Ressources en Eaux Souterraines en mettant l'accent sur les Zones Arides.

(En collaboration avec l'UNESCO)

#### 2. Symposium at Athens (Greece) on Groundwater Resources, with particular reference to Arid Zones

(in collaboration with UNESCO)

Les pourparlers avec les autorités grecques responsables continuent. A la demande de l'Unesco, la date de l'ouverture du collo-

Negotiations with the responsible Greek authorities continue. At the request of Unesco, the opening date of the symposium

loque a été fixée au 12 octobre 1961. De cette façon bon nombre de personnes participant à la réunion du Comité des Zones Arides et au Colloque sur les Changements Climatiques qui se tiennent tous deux à Rome au début d'octobre pourront participer au Colloque d'Athènes sans trop de difficultés.

Le Secrétaire enverra une circulaire dès qu'il aura reçu des précisions des autorités grecques.

Au 1<sup>er</sup> février, une quarantaine de communications avaient été annoncées. Certains pays ont demandé un délai pour la présentation des titres et résumés.

Une première esquisse du programme pourrait être la suivante, mais il faut s'attendre à ce qu'elle soit modifiée :

mercredi	11 octobre 1961
	14 h 1/2 Séance d'ouverture
jeudi	12 octobre 1961
	9 h Séance de travail.
jeudi	12 octobre 1961
	14 h 1/2 Séance de travail.
vendredi	13 octobre 1961
	9 h Séance de travail.
vendredi	13 octobre 1961
	14 h 1/2 Séance de travail.
samedi	14 octobre 1961
	9 h Séance de travail.
samedi	14 octobre 1961
	14 h 1/2 Réservé à des visites ou excursions.
dimanche	15 octobre 1961
	Excursion.
lundi	16 octobre 1961
	9 h Séance de travail.
lundi	16 octobre 1961
	14 h 1/2 Séance de travail.
mardi	17 octobre 1961
	9 h Séance de travail.
mardi	17 octobre 1961
	14 h 1/2 Réservé à des visites ou excursions.
mercredi	18 octobre 1961
	9 h Séance de travail.
mercredi	18 octobre 1961
	après-midi Séance de clôture
jeudi	19 Excursions.
vendredi	20 Excursions.

has been fixed as the 12th October 1961. It will thus become possible for a good number of those who attend the meeting of the Arid Zones Committee or the Symposium on Climatic Changes, both in early October at Rome, to attend the Athens symposium without much difficulty.

The Secretary will issue a circular soon as he has precise information from the Greek authorities.

By the 1st. February, news of some forty papers had been received. Some countries have asked for a delay in supplying titles and summaries.

A first outline of the programme could be the following, but one must expect that it may be modified:

Wed.	11 October 1961
	14 1/2 hr Opening session.
Thurs.	12 October 1961
	9 hr Working session
Thurs.	12 October 1961
	14 1/2 hr Working session
Fri.	13 October 1961
	9 hr Working session
Fri.	13 October 1961
	14 1/2 hr Working session
Sat.	14 October 1961
	9 hr Working session
Sat.	14 October 1961
	14 1/2 hr Visits or excursions
Sun.	15 October 1961
	Excursion
Mon.	16 October 1961
	9 hr Working session
Mon.	16 October 1961
	14 1/2 hr Working session
Tues.	17 October 1961
	9 hr Working session
Tues.	17 October 1961
	14 1/2 hr Visits or excursions
Wed.	18 October 1961
	9 hr Working session
Wed.	18 October 1961
	afternoon Closing session
Thurs.	19 October 1961
	Excursions
Fri.	20 October 1961
	Excursions.



### 3) COLLOQUE SUR L'ÉROSION CONTINENTALE EN 1952

1. Ce colloque est organisé par notre Association. Nous n'avons jusqu'à présent aucun support financier.
2. Le programme est le suivant :
  - 1) Sujets de communications libres, particulièrement : morphologie fluviale, transports solides, érosion du sol.
  - 2) Exposition portant sur la cartographie des effets et des facteurs de l'érosion du sol, utilisation de la photographie aérienne.
  - 3) Exposition d'instruments d'étude : matériel d'aspersion artificielle — humidité du sol — mesure des débits solides de fond et en suspension — énergie cinétique de la pluie, etc. ...
  - 4) Visite des stations d'étude et des régions les plus sujettes à l'érosion, en particulier les Apennins et l'Italie méridionale.
3. La réunion aura lieu en Italie, à Bari, en octobre 1962.
4. L'organisateur sera le Professeur TISON avec l'aide d'un comité Italien.

### 2) SYMPOSIUM ON THE VARIATIONS OF THE REGIME OF EXISTING GLACIERS

OBERGURGL, SEPTEMBER 1962  
*First Circular*

At the General Assembly of the I.U.G.G. at Helsinki in 1960 it was agreed that the Commission of Snow & Ice should hold a symposium entitled 'The variations of the regime of existing glaciers' at Obergurgl in the Austrian Tyrol in 1962. At the same time the Commission appointed a sub-committee to prepare a document detailing the methods of recording glacier variations with the object of encouraging all countries to cooperate in a continuous & systematic world-wide assessment of the state & trend of glaciation. This sub-committee is now at work, and it is hoped that its recommendations will be circulated to all nations and that the measurements will be commenced before the Symposium takes place. The object of the Symposium is firstly to bring together all those people who are, and will be, engaged in regularly recording glacier variations to discuss their problems and to report progress, and secondly to discuss recent research into the causes of glacier variations and the processes by which glaciers respond to climatic changes.

#### *Place & date*

The Symposium will be held from Monday 10th to Tuesday 18th September 1962 at Obergurgl, Austria, by kind invitation of Prof. H. HOINKES of the Institute of Meteorology & Geophysics of the University of Innsbruck. Obergurgl is a high alpine village (altitude 6,300 feet) lying at the head of the Oetztal, a valley which runs up to the Italian frontier to the south-east of Innsbruck.

The meetings will be held in the Hotel Edelweiss & Obergurgl with a seating capacity of more than 200 and with facilities for the projection of slides & 16mm film.

#### *Accommodation*

Details of accommodation, prices and booking instructions will be given in the next circular. There is room for over 500 people in hotels, and in addition there is plenty of cheaper accommodation in pensions and the State recreation centre.

## Excursions

a) *Before the Symposium.* It is proposed that an excursion to several important Swiss glaciers and research centres should be organised to commence about one week before the Symposium starts. This is intended mainly for the benefit of visitors from outside Europe. Details will be sent later to those people who express a wish to join the excursion on the attached form.

b) *During the Symposium.* Several half & whole day excursions by bus, chair lift, and on foot will be arranged in fine weather during the period of the Symposium. These include visits to glaciers & other interesting places in the Oetzal, to the northernmost glacier in the Alps on the Zugspitz in Germany, to Meran in the South Tyrol (Italy), and to the Engadine in Switzerland. (Passports & visas will be required where necessary).

c) *After the Symposium.* Two excursions will be arranged to last 2 or 3 days after the Symposium is over:

1) by bus to the Pasterze glacier and the Gross Glockner, the largest glacier & the highest mountain in Austria.

2) on foot. A mountaineering trip to the Hintereis, Kesselwand

Kesselwand and Vernagt glaciers where the Austrian I.G.Y. programme on glacial meteorology was carried out. This trip will be led by Prof. H. HOINKES and the party will stay 2 nights in a mountain hut.

## Banquet

A banquet, with entertainment by Tyrolean singers & dancers, will be given at the invitation of the Tiroler Landes-Regierung representing the Austrian Government in the Tyrol.

## Papers for the Symposium

a) *Contents.* The papers submitted to the Symposium must be original & must not have been published previously. The papers can cover any of the following topics; reviews & analyses of records of the glacier variations & associated phenomena in any area, statements of new national programmes for recording glacier variations, new data on detailed measurements of changes in the state of particular glaciers & correlation with climatic changes, studies of the processes & mechanisms by which glaciers vary in extent, theoretical studies of the response of glaciers to seasonal & climatic changes.

The papers must relate to studies on *existing* glaciers; extinct glaciers & glacialations are excluded.

b) *Text, diagrams & photographs.* The complete paper, including short abstracts in both English & French, diagrams, tables and photographs must not exceed 15 pages of print, each page containing not more than 300 words. The paper must be written in either English or French. The number of photographs must be kept to a minimum: the diagrams must be drawn with black lines on white paper, or tracing linen, and be suitable for direct reproduction. Papers must be typed with double spaces between lines.

c) *Limitation and screening of papers.* Following the resolutions made at Helsinki, the number of papers to be submitted from each country to the Symposium is to be limited, and the suitability and quality of the papers are to be screened by a sub-committee appointed by the Commission. The commission has decided that the total number of papers which can be accepted is 40, and that the maximum number of papers from each member country is to be as follows:

U.S.A., and U.S.S.R.	6 papers each
France, Germany, Gt. Britain	3 papers each
All other countries	2 papers each

d) *Submission of papers.* The National committees of Hydrology will be responsible for selecting the papers within their quotas and for fixing the dates when they require the abstracts and complete papers to be submitted to them. The National committees should forward the

ected documents to the Secretary of the Commission not later than the dates given below. The documents will not be accepted.

Three copies of the titles & abstracts in both English & French must be sent to the Secretary of the Commission not later than February 1, 1962.

Three copies of the complete paper, with diagrams & photographs for reproduction, must be sent to the Secretary of the Commission (address: 147, Rickmansworth Road, Watford, Herts. England) to arrive not later than 1st. April 1962.

(e) *Authors addresses & reprints.* Authors should give their addresses on their papers and place orders for the number of reprints they require on submitting their papers. A charge will be made for all copies of the proceedings of the Symposium & for all reprints.

#### *Preliminary information from participants*

Anyone who is likely to attend the Symposium, or to submit a paper, should complete the attached form and send it to the Secretary of the Commission as soon as possible and not later than 30th June 1961.

## **PROGRAMMES POUR L'ASSEMBLEE DE 1963**

### **I. COMMISSION DES EAUX DE SURFACE**

#### *Programme d'Etudes pour l'Assemblée Générale de 1963*

1. Etudes théoriques et méthodes pratiques de *prévision des apports* des cours d'eau pour des échéances diverses (à l'exclusion des prévisions de crues).

#### *2. Sécheresses*

Le programme établi pour l'Assemblée d'Helsinki est maintenu, c'est-à-dire :

- caractéristiques et causes des sécheresses;
- fréquence d'apparition.

#### *3. Bas débits*

Courbes de tarissement. Influence sur le niveau des nappes souterraines. Etudes des facteurs hydrogéologiques (en liaison avec la Commission des Eaux Souterraines).

4. Etude de l'*irrégularité temporelle* des cours d'eau. Caractéristiques numériques et représentations graphiques. Causes de l'irrégularité.

### **II. COMMISSION DES EAUX SOUTERRAINES**

#### *Programme pour l'Assemblée Générale de 1963*

1. Relations entre les eaux de surface et les eaux souterraines (avec la Commission des Eaux de surface).

## **5) TOPICS FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1963**

### **I. COMMISSION OF SURFACE WATERS**

#### *Questions for 1963*

1. Theoretical studies and practical methods of forecasting the yield of rivers for both long and short terms (except floods).

#### *2. Droughts*

The same program as for the Helsinki meeting will be adopted, i.e.:

- characteristics and causes of droughts
- frequency of occurrences.

#### *3. Low discharges*

Depletion curves. Effects on the ground-water regime. Determination of the hydrogeological factors (Joint session with the Commission of Subterranean Waters).

4. *Variability in time* of river flow. Numerical characteristics and graphical representation. Causes of variability.

### **II. COMMISSION ON SUBTERRANEAN WATERS**

#### *Questions for 1963*

1. Surface-and ground-water relationships. (A request will be made to the Commission on Surface Water to join us in discussing this subject).



2. Mouvement de l'eau dans des sols hétérogènes.
3. Chimie des eaux souterraines.
4. Méthodes pour le contrôle du régime des eaux souterraines; exploitation et conservation.

### III. COMMISSION DE L'ÉROSION

#### *Programme pour l'Assemblée Générale de 1963*

1. Migration des éléments chimiques en suspension et en solution.
2. Evaluation des effets des pratiques agricoles et des pratiques de conservation des sols sur l'érosion.
3. Influence du changement de la structure du sol sur le Bilan d'eau et sur l'érosion (infiltration—évapotranspiration).
4. Transports solides.

### IV. COMMISSIONS DES NEIGES ET DES GLACES

#### Sujets Libres.

### V. COMITE DE L'ÉVAPORATION

#### *Programme pour 1963*

1. L'emploi de films monomoléculaires pour réduire l'évaporation et l'évapotranspiration comprenant l'effet du film sur la répartition des températures d'un réservoir.
2. Différences entre l'évapotranspiration potentielle et réelle pour différents types de végétation et de conditions d'humidité du sol.
3. Evaporation de la couverture neigeuse (en liaison avec la Commission des Neiges et Glaces).
4. Dispositifs pour mesurer l'évaporation et l'évapotranspiration.
5. L'influence de l'altitude sur l'évaporation.
6. Méthodes de mesure directe du flux de vapeur d'eau.
7. Variations saisonnières des coefficients pour différents types de bacs évaporatoires.
8. Méthodes pour déterminer l'évapotranspiration de grandes surfaces et relations entre l'évapotranspiration de grandes surfaces et de surfaces échantillons.

2. Movement of water in heterogeneous aquifers.

3. Geochemistry of ground water.

4. Methods for controlling the ground water regime; exploitation and conservation.

### III. COMMISSION OF LAND EROSION

#### *Questions for 1963*

1. Migration of chemical elements in suspension or in solution.
2. Evaluation of effect of agricultural practices and conservation practices on erosion.
3. Influence of soil structure on the hydraulic balance and on land erosion. Infiltration — évapotranspiration.
4. Movement of sediments.

### IV. COMMISSION OF SNOW AND ICE

#### Free Subjects.

### V. COMMITTEE ON EVAPORATION

#### *Suggested topics for 1963*

1. The use of monomolecular films to reduce evaporation and evapotranspiration including the effect of the film on the thermal structure of a reservoir.
2. Differences between actual and potential evapotranspiration for various kinds of vegetation and for various soil-moisture conditions.
3. Evaporation from snow (jointly with the Commission on Snow and Ice).
4. Equipment for measuring evaporation and evapotranspiration.
5. The effect of altitude upon evaporation.
6. Methods of direct measurement of vapour flux.
7. Seasonal variation in coefficients for various types of evaporation pans.
8. Techniques for estimating evapotranspiration losses from large areas and relations between evapotranspiration from large areas and from sample areas.

## VI. COMITÉ DES PRÉCIPITATIONS

### *Programme d'étude pour l'Assemblée de 1963*

#### *Variabilité des précipitations*

- Répartition dans l'espace. Etudes particulières des facteurs influençant cette répartition (conditions locales, situations météorologiques) et généralisation.
- Extension sur le terrain des précipitations de divers types. Application au choix du point optimum de pluviomètres pour la détermination d'une précipitation sur un bassin.
- Représentation graphique de la variabilité des précipitations. Essai d'établissement de «cartes de variabilité» complétant les cartes habituelles de précipitations moyennes.

#### *Mesures spéciales*

- Mesure des précipitations par radar et comparaison avec les méthodes classiques.
- Mesure des précipitations sur les surfaces d'eau étendues (grands lacs, à l'exclusion des mers et océans).
- Mesure des condensations occultes (rosée — brouillard). Evaluation de leur importance par rapport aux précipitations courantes.

## 6) BRITISH NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR GEODESY AND GEOPHYSICS

### REPORT ON HYDROLOGICAL ACTIVITY IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

#### PREFACE

To assist the work of the Hydrology Sub-Committee of the National Committee for Geodesy and Geophysics, its National Correspondents were asked to report on hydrological activity in the United Kingdom. This task was shared by Corresponding Members of three Commissions of the International Association of Scientific Hydrology — Professor G. Manley (Snow and Ice), Mr W. Allard (Surface Water) and Dr S. Buchan (Ground Water) — and of two of its committees — Mr A. Bleasdale (Precipitation), Mr. C. F. Lapworth (Evaporation) and Mr F. H. Allen (Instrumentation). On completion of the report, which follows, its publication was recommended by the Hydrology Sub-Committee, to help satisfy many enquiries, arising both within this country and abroad, about recent and current hydrological activity in the United Kingdom.

The National Correspondents acknowledge their indebtedness to Directors and Heads of Research Departments for information on which are based the short accounts dealing with the main responsibilities, particular hydrological interests and research activities, of the various agencies.

The Hydrology Sub-Committee wishes to record its appreciation of the work of the National Correspondents and in particular to acknowledge its indebtedness to Dr S. Buchan who accepted the main responsibility for the compilation of this National Report.

#### ORGANISATIONS WITH COMMITTEES INTERESTED IN RESEARCH INTO SCIENTIFIC HYDROLOGY

Our Ministry: Meteorological Research Committee:

Sub-Committee II-Synoptic, Dynamical and Climatological

Secretary: c/o Meteorological Research Committee, Meteorological Office, M.O. 15,  
Victory House, Kingsway, London, W.C. 2.

British Glaciological Society: Executive Committee:

Research Sub-Committee

Secretary: Mrs H. Richardson, c/o Scott Polar Research Institute,  
Lensfield Road, Cambridge.

British Standards Institution: Flow Measurement Committee:

Flow Measurement in Open Channels Sub-Committee

Secretary: A.S. Manklow, British Standards Institution,  
2 Park Street, London, W. 1.

Department of Scientific and Industrial Research and Ministry of Housing and Local Government:

a) Joint Committee on Rainfall and Run-off

Secretary: L.H. Watkins, Road Research Laboratory, Harmondsworth, West Drayton,  
Middlesex.

b) Informal Interdepartmental Scientific Working Group on Hydrological Research

Secretary: L.L. Fox, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Charles House,  
5/11 Regent Street, London, S.W. 1.

Institution of Civil Engineers: Research Committee:

a) Rainfall and Run-off Sub-Committee

b) Hydraulics of Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Sub-Committee

Secretary: A. McDonald, Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street,  
London, S.W. 1.

Institution of Water Engineers:

a) Hydrological Research Group

Secretary: G.M. Swales, The East Surrey Water Company, Redhill, Surrey.

b) Evaporation Sub-Committee

Chairman: C.F. Lapworth, 25 Victoria Street, Westminster,  
London, S.W. 1.

Minister for Science: Natural Resources (Technical) Committee:

Sub-Committee on Agriculture: Irrigation Study Group

Secretary: D.L. Simms, Office of the Minister for Science,  
2 Richmond Terrace, Whitehall, London, S.W. 1.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food: Agricultural Improvement Council: Land  
Management Committee:

Field Drainage, Water Supplies and Other Services Sub-Committee

Secretary: L.D.G. Richings, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Great  
Westminster House, Horseferry Road, London, S.W.

Ministry of Housing and Local Government: Central Advisory Water Committee:

a) Sub-Committee on Growing Demand for Water

b) Sub-Committee on Information on Water Resources

Secretary: Miss M.E. Petzsche, Ministry of Housing and Local Government,  
Whitehall, London, S.W. 1.

Royal Scottish Geographical Society: River Flows Studies Committee

Convenor: Dr R.M. Gorrie, 15 Murrayfield Drive, Edinburgh, 12.

Royal Society: National Committee for Geodesy and Geophysics:

Hydrology Sub-Committee

Secretary: Dr D.C. Martin, Royal Society, Burlington House, London, W. 1.

Royal Society: National Committee on Antarctic Research

Secretary: Dr D.C. Martin, Royal Society, Burlington House, London, W. 1.



## PRINCIPAL SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS PROVIDING A FOCUS FOR DISCUSSION AND A JOURNAL FOR PUBLICATION OF THE RESULTS OF HYDROLOGICAL RESEARCH

British Association for the Advancement of Science, 18 Adam Street, London, W.C. 2.  
 British Glaciological Society, c/o Scott Polar Research Institute, Lensfield Road, Cambridge.  
 British Society of Soil Science:

Honorary Secretary: D.V. Crawford, University of Nottingham School of Agriculture,  
 Sutton Bonington, Loughborough, Leicestershire.

British Waterworks Association, 34 Park Street, London, W. 1.

Ve Research Group of Great Britain, Seaton House, Shrublands Road, Berkhamsted,  
 Hertfordshire.

Institute of British Geographers:

Honorary Secretary: Professor A.E. Smailes, Queen Mary College, Mile End Road,  
 London, E. 1.

Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, Westminster, London, S.W. 1.

Institution of Public Health Engineers, 179 Vauxhall Bridge Road, London, S.W. 1.

Institution of Water Engineers, Parliament Mansions, Abbey Orchard Street, London, S.W. 1.

Water Boards' Association:

Secretaries: Dyson Bell and Company, 15 Great College Street, London, S.W. 1.

Royal Geographical Society, Kensington Gore, London, S.W. 7.

Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene, 28 Portland Place, London, S.W. 1.

Royal Meteorological Society, 49 Cromwell Road, London, S.W. 7.

Royal Scottish Geographical Society, Synod Hall, Castle Terrace, Edinburgh, 1.

Royal Society, Burlington House, London, W. 1.

Society for Water Treatment and Examination:

Honorary Secretary: A.W.H. McCanlis, 41 Carshalton Road, Sutton, Surrey.

Scott Polar Research Institute, Lensfield Road, Cambridge.

## LIST OF AGENCIES ENGAGED ON HYDROLOGICAL RESEARCH GOVERNMENT

Admiralty: Hydrographic Department, Whitehall, London, S.W. 1.

The Hydrographic Department of the Admiralty is charged with the duty of carrying out surveys around the British Isles and British territories abroad, and in the open oceans. It also produces charts to cover the whole world, for issue to the Royal and Merchant navies, and publishes the necessary sailing directions, tide tables, radio lists and light lists.

The Tidal Branch of the Hydrographic Department, because of its responsibility for tidal predictions, is concerned with the effect of river water on tidal heights in important estuaries and rivers. The National Flood Warning Organisation, Air Ministry, Dunstable, for which the hydrographer is responsible, is interested in the effect of river water on tidal heights in connexion with the assessment of probabilities of very high water levels being reached.

Agricultural Research Council, Unit of Soil Physics,  
 School of Agriculture, Huntingdon Road, Cambridge.

The function of the Agricultural Research Council is to supervise and support Government-sponsored research work of agricultural significance in Great Britain.

The research work is done in (a) State-aided research institutes and institutes controlled by the Council, (b) University and other departments outside the control of the Council but funded by specific Council grants, (c) Research units staffed by the Agricultural Research Council, usually located in Universities and directed by a University staff member. In the last of these categories is the Unit of Soil Physics.

The work of the Soil Physics Unit arose in the first place out of the consideration of problems of land drainage and has developed to cover the whole field of the movement of water in soils and in the surface layers of the earth's crust.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Land Drainage,  
Water Supply and Machinery Division, Great Westminster  
House, Horseferry Road, London, S.W. 1.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food gives grant-aid to River Boards and internal Drainage Boards towards the cost of improvement schemes for rivers and other water courses. This includes grants made in collaboration with the Surface Water Survey of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for the construction and improvement of river gauges. The ministry also grants-aid schemes for (a) field drainage of land and (b) farm water supplies for the irrigation of agricultural crops.

Their Land Drainage, Water Supply and Machinery Division, which works in close co-operation with the Boards and the farmers, has, therefore, an interest in hydrological information and knowledge relevant to these schemes although the Division is not in itself a research establishment.

Ministry of Agriculture, Northern Ireland, Forestry Division,  
7 Upper Queen Street, Belfast, 1, Northern Ireland.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Northern Ireland, was charged under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland), 1953, with the responsibility for promoting the interests of forestry and the development of afforestation.

By the end of 1957 the Ministry had secured leases or assisted with planning of about 3,100 acres (13 km<sup>2</sup>) of land scheduled as catchment areas, but progress was to some extent delayed because of the possible adverse effect of afforestation on run-off. Experiments were therefore, carried out by the Forestry Division of the Ministry to find out the effects of afforestation on run-off in certain areas.

Air Ministry, Meteorological Office.

Meteorological Office (M.O. 3b), Headstone Drive, Harrow, Middlesex, and Meteorological Office, School of Agriculture, Cambridge.

The Meteorological Office, which is part of the Air Ministry, is responsible for providing a national meteorological service. Its functions include collection, distribution, and publication of meteorological information from all parts of the world, and research in meteorology and geophysics.

One of its sections at Harrow is concerned with precipitation (including rain, snow and hail) and hydrology with particular reference to the United Kingdom. There are a number of Meteorological Office Stations where measurements are made, but the vast majority come from voluntary observers, water supply undertakers, river boards and others. A research unit at Cambridge studies the measurement of evaporation by aero-dynamical methods.

Problems under investigation include the accuracy of rainfall measurements, the assessment of areal rainfall, the duration-intensity relationships of heavy rainfall, evaporation and water balance, and the processing and presentation of data including the use of electronic computers.

Colonial Office-Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey

Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations,  
4 Millbank, London, S.W. 1.

The Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey is responsible for topographic and hydrographic surveys of these territories and is concerned, therefore, with mapping the extent of the ice. The results of scientific investigations carried out at the bases operated by the Survey are co-ordinated and published.

The Governor of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies is responsible to the Colonial Office for the work of the Survey.

Ministry of Housing and Local Government, Surface Water Survey,  
Whitehall, London, S.W. 1.

The Ministry of Housing and Local Government is concerned with the conservation and

er use of water resources in England and Wales and particularly with the prevention of  
tion of those resources and the supply of water to communities.

The Ministry maintains a Surface Water Survey which, in conjunction with the Scottish  
e, collects, collates and publishes in a series of yearbooks a selection of hydrometric data  
g to surface water resources and areal rainfalls. These records are obtained from or  
ugh the Scottish Departments of Agriculture and Fisheries, and Health, River Boards  
England and Wales, water supply undertakers, North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board,  
th British Aluminium Company and others.

The Survey also collects information about hydrometric instruments and techniques for  
aid of the River Boards and others concerned, and aims at ensuring that the rainfall and  
off gauging activity in each River Board area shall be so planned that the combined schemes  
ultimately provide adequate national networks of rainfall and river gauging stations.

Nature Conservancy, 19 Belgrave Square, London, S.W. 1.

The primary interest of The Nature Conservancy is the conservation of plants and animals,  
n as individual species and in communities. Climate is the chief determinant and in its  
earch work the Conservancy studies correlations between climate and land use (in the  
adest sense of the term). Water balance and water conservation are the most important  
ects of such study.

Current research includes observations of potential evaporation from grass, heather  
peat lands in a variety of régions. The relationship between potential evaporation and  
ipitation are being studied, and measurements are being made of flow rates from small  
chments with different types of vegetation cover.

Building Research Station,

Bucknalls Lane, Garston, Nr Watford, Hertfordshire.

The Building Research Station, one of the research organisations in the Department of  
ntific and Industrial Research, is concerned with the study of problems of building and  
ed branches of civil engineering. One of its groups deals with problems of foundations and  
mechanics, and consideration of the effect of ground water on the stability of foundations,  
avations and earthworks is included.

The study of ground-water flow calls for measurements of permeability both in the labo-  
ry and in the field. A technique of pore-water pressure measurement has been developed  
following the slow movement of water through impermeable soils.

Geological Survey,

Exhibition Road, South Kensington, London, S.W. 7.

The Geological Survey of Great Britain, now a branch of the Department of Scientific  
d Industrial Research, was founded in 1835 to make geological maps which would be of  
vice to science and industry. This is still its main function. These maps and their explana-  
y memoirs are of fundamental scientific and economic importance in understanding the  
ology and in investigating the natural resources of Great Britain.

The Water Division of the Geological Survey is concerned with research into the occur-  
ce, storage, movement, quantity, chemical quality, abstraction and replenishment of ground  
ter. This involves collection of basic ground-water data, systematic regional surveys of the  
uifers, as well as fundamental and applied research.

Laboratory of the Government Chemist,

Water Division, Dudley House, Endell Street, London, W.C. 2.

The Laboratory of the Government Chemist, now in the Department of Scientific and  
dustrial Research originated in the need of the Board of Customs and Excise for analytical  
vices in connexion with revenue duties. Since its establishment over 100 years ago the scope



of the work has widened and it now provides analytical and advisory services to most Government departments and several statutory bodies.

The Water Division is primarily concerned with the treatment of water for drinking purposes, for hot water installations and for steam raising; the examination of effluents from sewage treatment plants and special investigations such as the fluoridation of public water supplies, river surveys and the disposal of house refuse.

The principal contribution to hydrological research made by its Water Division is the study of the chemical character of rainfall, surface waters and ground waters.

#### Hydraulics Research Station,

Howbery Park, Wallingford, Berkshire.

The Hydraulics Research Station of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research is engaged on the investigation, often with the aid of models, of problems in open-channel hydraulics, such as the draining and control of rivers and estuaries, improvements to ports and harbours, and coast protection. The programme includes both basic and ad hoc research.

In hydrology, the Station's main task is to improve existing methods of flood hydrograph prediction and flood frequency analyses using unit hydrograph techniques. Some experimental work is also in progress to examine the importance of soil moisture deficiency in run-off predictions.

#### Road Research Laboratory,

Harmondsworth, Middlesex.

The Road Research Laboratory forms part of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. Its functions are to carry out research into problems that arise in designing, building, maintaining and using the public highways.

The Laboratory, in collaboration with the Meteorological Office and the Hydraulics Research Station, has been undertaking research into the relationship between rainfall and run-off as it affects the design of surface water sewers. It has also made studies of soil moisture and evaporation.

#### Water Pollution Research Laboratory,

Elder Way, Stevenage, Hertfordshire.

The Water Pollution Research Laboratory is a branch of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. Its research work includes the development or improvement of processes for purifying sewage and industrial wastes and the study of the effects of pollutants, substances, of all kinds, on natural waters.

In the course of investigating the second of these sections of work, the Laboratory studies the movement of water, for example longitudinal or vertical mixing in freshwater streams and the more complex movements which occur in an estuary under tidal oscillation. From time to time the Laboratory has carried out work to improve existing methods of measuring the flow of a stream, for example by the use of radioactive tracers.

#### Scottish Office,

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland, St Andrew's House, Edinburgh,  
Department of Health for Scotland, St Andrew's House, Edinburgh, 1.

The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland measures the flow of certain rivers in Scotland and forwards the data to the Surface Water Survey of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

The Department of Health for Scotland collects any records of measurements of surface water resources made by water undertakers and also forwards them to the Survey.

Yearbooks, published by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and the Scottish Office jointly, report the material thus obtained. However, there is not at present any statutory obligation on either of the Scottish Departments, or on any other body, to measure river discharges in Scotland for the information of the public.

#### *Government sponsored*

**Freshwater Biological Association,**  
The Ferry House, Ambleside, Westmorland.

The Freshwater Biological Association, which is a private organisation sponsored by the Development Commission, was founded in 1929 with the object of promoting research on the problems of life in fresh and brackish waters.

Little work has been done so far on hydrology in its strict sense, but research has been undertaken on the water movements in lakes and on the chemistry of rain and natural waters.

**The Grassland Research Institute,**  
Hurley, Near Maidenhead, Berkshire.

The primary function of the Grassland Research Institute, which is sponsored by the Agricultural Research Council, is research on the management of grassland for herbage production, and on the utilisation of the herbage produced.

Research has been carried out on the irrigation of grassland with particular reference to the relation between herbage production and soil moisture status. This work has not yet been published except for brief notes in the Annual Reports of the Institute from 1956 onwards.

**National Vegetable Research Station,**  
Wellesbourne, Warwickshire.

The National Vegetable Research Station is mainly concerned with research into methods of improving the yield and quality of vegetables.

Its Irrigation Section is investigating the water requirements of vegetable crops with the object of determining the extent to which it is necessary to supplement natural rainfall by irrigation to obtain the optimum economical yield and quality of produce and to make the best use of available supplies of water. The work involves determination of current soil moisture status.

The relationship of the Penman estimate to measured loss from different vegetable crops is being studied and compared with the loss from evaporation tanks, transpirometers and evaprimeters.

The experiments on water requirement of crops carried out at Wellesbourne are supplemented by larger field experiments at four horticultural stations (National Agricultural Advisory Service):-Efford in Hampshire, Luddington in Warwickshire, Rosewarne in Cornwall and Stockbridge House, Cawood, Selby, Yorkshire.

**Rothamsted Experimental Station,**  
Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

Rothamsted Experimental Station is the largest and eldest of the agricultural research centres controlled by the Agricultural Research Council. Most of the departments are biological, being concerned with the plant in health and disease. Of the non-biological sections, the Physics Department divides its interest between the root environment (Soil Physics) and the leaf environment (Agricultural Meteorology).

Studies of soil water come into both spheres of interest, and within the past two decades there has grown up a body of information and a number of ideas on the relationship between the use of water by plants and the climate in which the plants grow. From this a double interest in hydrological problems has developed.

The immediate practical application has been to show the need for irrigation of farm crops in south-east England, and it has been an obvious step to examine the water balance of the country as a whole to see where the needed water might come from. At the same time this examination has been used as a test of the ideas, treating whole catchment areas as large evaporation gauges.

### *River Boards (England and Wales)*

These Boards number thirty-two and, together with two other authorities, Thames Conservancy and Lee Conservancy Catchment Board, cover the whole of England and Wales excepting part of the London area. The thirty-four authorities are concerned with land drainage, freshwater fisheries, prevention of river pollution and, in some cases, navigation.

They are required, by the River Boards Act, 1948, to measure systematically the rainfall and river flows in their respective areas. They also measure temperatures of river water at a few points and obtain the relevant records of those water supply undertakers and others who measure surface water resources.

The data accumulated by the Boards are forwarded to the Surface Water Survey of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. Each Board also makes its own records available to the public.

Research is being carried out by some of the engineers of the Boards, using the rainfall and gauging records. Changes of ground-water storage are being measured in several drainage areas.

### *Water Supply Undertakers*

The water supply undertakers are required to measure the amounts taken by them for the need of communities rather than the total surface or underground water resources from which they derive their supplies. As regards residual surface water resources, the undertakers usually have to establish that a prescribed minimum flow has been left in the stream from which abstraction has taken place.

There are, however, a few undertakers utilising surface water resources who voluntarily make additional measurements in order to determine over any period of time the amount of water draining from their catchments. In such cases the data obtained are supplied to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government in England and Wales through the local River Board and in Scotland through the Department of Health for Scotland.

Surface-water measurements relate in the main to upland areas and impounded streams and are usually effected by measuring structures (weirs, etc.) rather than by current meters.

The undertakers who use ground-water resources send to the Geological Survey such measurements of volumes of abstraction, water levels in their wells, and water quality as they are required to make.

The engineers of some of the undertakers have, as individuals, conducted hydrological research.

### *Universities*

Among the twenty-two universities there are many individual members in a variety of departments and disciplines who have been engaged in research in one branch or another of hydrology. Detailed reference to the work being carried out is made in the following section on research activities. In addition a number of unpublished projects on various hydrological subjects have been undertaken by post graduate students of engineering hydrology who come to Imperial College from various countries.

### *Other Agencies*

Cave Research Group of Great Britain,

Seaton House, Shrublands Road, Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire.

Exploratory surveys of caves are made by a number of clubs and societies. Their work includes making maps, taking photographic and other records and noting the flora and fauna of the caves.



The Cave Research Group has included in its activities research into the direction and of movement of water underground, at home and abroad.

Institution of Water Engineers: Hydrological Research Group: Evaporation Sub-Committee.

The scope of the Group is the study of hydrology, especially those branches relating to rainfall, run-off, percolation and evaporation, including (a) measurement of phenomena and interpretation of records and the appropriate use of statistical methods.

The Evaporation Sub-Committee, jointly with the Metropolitan Water Board, is collecting evaporation data at one of the Board's reservoirs.

Met Polar Research Institute,  
2, Lensfield Road, Cambridge.

The Institute is the national and international centre for the encouragement of polar research and exploration. It is now attached to the Department of Geography, University of Cambridge. The Institute has undertaken research in many disciplines but in recent years special emphasis has been placed on snow and ice studies.

The seasonal distribution of sea ice has been a major subject of research which has included survey of recording and reporting methods.

Water Research Association,  
18 Linkfield Lane, Redhill, Surrey.

The Water Research Association is one of a number of associations for co-operative research set up to apply advances in science to the benefit of industry. It receives Government grant through the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

Recently research has been carried out on problems of the coagulation process of water purification, acoustic methods of leak detection and the characteristics of plastic water pipes. The research programme is being expanded and will permit the inclusion of hydrological investigations.

Private individuals.

Hydrological research is being undertaken by a number of private individuals whose work is referred to in the following section.

## RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

### *Precipitation*

Rainfall research is carried out mainly by, or in conjunction with, the Meteorological Office. Studies by other Government Departments are largely dependent on data supplied by them.

Research work on accuracy of standard measurements, including the use of rain-gauge fields and the experimental use of a compound rain gauge, is undertaken by the Meteorological Office in conjunction with the Fylde Water Board, Road Research Laboratory and National Vegetation Research Station.

Measurement of rainfall in non-standard sites, for example above woodland canopy, is being made by the Meteorological Office in conjunction with Fylde Water Board and the Department of Forestry, Oxford University. Precipitation over rugged terrain and on ships is now being investigated.

The Meteorological Office is also engaged in the assessment of areal rainfall and in collecting and studying measurements of the amount, character and frequency of snowfall within the United Kingdom.

Research by the Meteorological Office is proceeding on the processing and presentation of data, including the development of machine methods.

Intensity-duration frequency distributions of heavy falls of rain over the British Isles are also the subject of research by the Meteorological Office in conjunction with Road Research Laboratory and local town drainage authorities.

The areal distribution of intense falls of rain are being investigated at Cardington by the Meteorological Office.

Measurement of rain falling on a conifer plantation is being made by the Fylde Water Board (F. Law) in its Stocks Reservoir catchment, where particular attention is given to measurements of rain reaching the ground, stem-flow down selected trees, and run-off from a lysimeter.

Measurement of rainfall in the South Tyne river basin is the subject of research by the Geography Department of King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne (J.I. Sharp) and in Upper Weardale by the Geography Department of Bedford College, London (Miss E.M. Shaw).

### *Evaporation*

A Meteorological Office unit at Cambridge (first Dr F. Pasquill, later N.E. Rider) has studied the aerodynamic aspect of the evaporation process, and has now a computer which gives a continuous record in the field of instantaneous evaporation rate over any kind of surface. A description of the instrument will be published during 1960.

At Rothamsted Experimental Station, the Physics Department (Dr H.L. Penman and J.L. Monteith) has studied the energetic aspects of the evaporation process and the results have been widely applied to agricultural problems, e.g. irrigation, and hydrological problems, e.g. water balance of catchment areas.

A research group of the Institution of Water Engineers is collecting evaporation data over a 40-acre (16 hectare) reservoir of the Metropolitan Water Board at Kempton Park together with some supplementary weather data and water temperatures.

Other records or estimates of evaporation, either for control or for information, are being made by the Fylde Water Board (catchment evaporation), the Grassland Research Institute (irrigation control), the National Vegetable Research Station (irrigation control), and the Nature Conservancy (land management).

Evaporation in a conifer plantation has been studied by the Botany Department, Imperial College, London (Dr A.J. Rutter). The methods used; have included soil sampling, moisture indicating instruments in the soil and direct measurement of interception and evaporation from the soil surface.

In the course of research on soil moisture, the Road Research Laboratory has measured evaporation from the soil for comparison with estimates made by Penman's method.

### *Surface Water*

River flow measurements are made principally by the River Boards and by water supply undertakers, and these basic data are used extensively by research workers.

The Hydraulics Research Station is developing a method of determining certain parameters of the instantaneous unit hydrograph from records of rainfall and stream flow. Correlations are being sought between the parameters and the characteristics of the drainage area to which the unit hydrographs apply. Mr T. O'Donnell, Imperial College, has developed a method of deriving the instantaneous unit hydrograph from excess rainfall and run-off curves by way of harmonic analyses.

The relationship between rainfall and run-off is being investigated by the Road Research Laboratory in ten urban areas and in a natural drainage area of over 5,000 acres (21 km<sup>2</sup>). The Hydraulics Research Station and the Civil Engineering Department of Imperial College, London (P.O. Wolf) are making similar investigations.

Mr F.V. Appleby is making fundamental studies of urban and natural stream networks arising from surface flow by means of a heat analogue instrument. Dr H.E. Hurst is studying statistics of the variability of river flow.

Relationships between the size of a river basin, stream dimensions and discharge, with particular reference to the South Midlands. Cotswolds and head-waters of the River Thames, have been the subject of research by the Geography Department of Birkbeck College, London (Dr G.H. Dury).

Measurements of stream flows in the South Tyne basin are being made by the Civil Engineering Department of King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The forecasting of floods in river basins has been the subject of research by River Boards (Parent River Board).

The effect of river water on tidal heights for flood forecasting is being studied by the National Flood Warning Organisation, Dunstable.

Research on the effect of the River Thames on tidal heights has recently been carried out by the Hydrographic Department of the Admiralty in conjunction with the Chief Engineer's Department, London County Council. A brief reference to the results of this research will appear in the Admiralty Tide Tables, vol. 1 for 1962.

Much of the hydrological work on snow and ice is concerned with phenomena occurring outside the United Kingdom. Considerable research in this field is however organised from this country and undertaken by its research workers.

Recent glaciological work in the Antarctic includes studies, relating to snow and ice accumulation, by the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey, in particular work on the mass balance of ice in South Georgia by the late J. Smith. Notable investigations include work on borehole sections in firn by the British Trans-Antarctic Expedition, 1955-58, both at «South Ice» and during the crossing of the continent.

Aspects of the behaviour of glaciers and the physics of ice have been studied by the Cambridge Austerdalsbre Group on Austerdalsbreen in Norway during the period 1955-59. Much of the work of this Group has been organised by W.H. Ward of the Building Research Station, who is making a study of the physics of glacier flow. Valuable measurements have also been made by the Cambridge West Greenland Glaciological Expedition 1958 and other private expeditions who report their work back to the Glaciological Research Sub-Committee of the British Glaciological Society.

Much of the glaciological work in the United Kingdom is carried out within the Universities, most of the active research workers being associated with the British Glaciological Society and the Scott Polar Research Institute.

Individual research projects are listed below under the University concerned.

<i>University</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Research workers and projects</i>
Birmingham	Physics	Dr J.W. Glen — Glacier deformation and flow (Member of Cambridge Austerdalsbre Group).
Bristol	Physics	Dr J.F. Nye — Physics of the flow of ice (Member of Cambridge Austerdalsbre Group).
Cambridge	Geography	W.V. Lewis — Movement of a valley glacier (Member of Cambridge Austerdalsbre Group).



	Geography Scott Polar Research Institute	Dr G. de Q. Robin — Ice shelves and ice sheets in Greenland and the Antarctic. Dr T.E. Armstrong — Sea ice and terminology. G.R. Elliston — Observations on flow on Gornergletscher. Dr B.B. Roberts — Terminology. Dr C.W.M. Swinbank — Antarctic glaciology.
Durham (King's College Newcastle-on-Tyne).	Geography (Polar Studies)	Dr H. Lister — Studies of mass balance, and drifted and falling snow in Greenland and the Antarctic.
Hull	Geography	G. de Boer — Investigation on Austerdalsbre and Tunsbergdalsbre glaciers in Norway (Member of Cambridge Austerdalsbre Group).
London (Bedford College)	Geography	Professor G. Manley — Late and post-glacial fluctuations in snow and ice cover.
(Imperial College)	Geology	D. Taylor Smith — Gravity and seismic surveys to determine thickness of ice at Austerdalsbre, Norway (Member of Cambridge, Austerdalsbre Group).
Nottingham	Geography	Miss C.A.M. King and associates — Studies of Icelandic and Norwegian glaciers (Member of Cambridge Austerdalsbre Group).
Oxford	Geography	The late M.F.W. Holland — Glaciology in Greenland. Miss M.M. Sweeting — Glacier fluctuation in Vestspitsbergen.
Wales (University College of Swansea).	Geography	Miss G.E. Groom — Glacial studies in Vestspitsbergen.

### *Soil Water*

Physical problems relating to the movement and equilibrium of water in the soil have been studied by the Unit of Soil Physics (Agricultural Research Council). Measurements have been made of soil permeability in saturated and unsaturated soils.

Research on soil moisture is being undertaken by the National Vegetable Research Station, the Road Research Laboratory and the Building Research Station.

### *Ground Water*

Ground water research is being effected mainly by the Geological Survey but a great many measurements of water levels, well yields and chemical analyses are submitted to the Geological Survey by water undertakers, industrial and agricultural ground water users, well drillers and others.

Well surveys and regional surveys of ground water conditions in the Chalk, Triassic limestones, Coal Measures and other aquifers have been made over extensive areas of England and Wales to obtain basic data.

Artificial recharge of aquifers (Dr S. Buchan), ground water flow in the vicinity of a pumped well (Dr J. Ineson) and the mapping of marker bands in the Chalk as an aid to the location of aquifers favourable for containing ground water (D.A. Gray) are among recent researches. Studies of ground water flow around a discharging well with particular reference to sand-pipes have been made by the Civil Engineering Department of Sheffield University (Professor R. Boulton).

Local investigations into the direction and rate of flow of water in fissures in the Lower Devonian Limestone of north-west Derbyshire, using fluorescein as a tracer, have been made by members of Derwent Valley Water Board in association with the Cave Research Group described by Dr T.D. Ford. The circulation of ground water in cave systems in Jamaica has been studied by Miss M.M. Sweeting.

An analytical and model study, of a ground water lowering project at a construction site in a village near the sea, has been made by T. O'Donnell (Imperial College).

### *Water Balance*

Studies of the effect of afforestation on the water balance are being made by Fylde Water Board; Belfast Water Commissioners; Department of Forestry, Oxford; and Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, all in conjunction with the Meteorological Office. The effect of land management on the water balance is being investigated by The Nature Conservancy. The balance of infiltration, ground water storage and spring flow are the subject of research by the Geological Survey who have made several regional studies in different geological formations.

Water balance studies have also been made by the Geography departments of Cambridge (V. Lewis) and of Aberystwyth (J.C. Rodda).

### *Chemistry of Natural Waters*

Some work has been done on the chemistry of rainfall by the Meteorological Office (see Meteorological Office Discussion in Meteorological Magazine, 1958, 87, 108-115), by the Freshwater Biological Association which has published some of the results of its research, and by the Laboratory of the Government Chemist.

The chemistry of surface waters has been investigated locally by the Freshwater Biological Association, the Laboratory of the Government Chemist and the Water Pollution Research Laboratory.

Research into variations in the chemical character of ground waters has been undertaken by the Geological Survey.

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Le Prof. Tison  
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Je vous prie de croire, mon cher Professeur, à l'expression de mes sentiments distingués.

V. V. BÉLOUSSOV  
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## A) UNESCO - OMM

### COLLOQUE SUR LES CHANGEMENTS DE CLIMAT ET LEURS EFFETS, NOTAMMENT DANS LA ZONE ARIDE

ROME, 2-7 OCTOBRE 1961

#### ORIGINE ET BUTS DU COLLOQUE

Dans le cadre du programme de l'Unesco relatif aux terres arides, des colloques portent sur des questions en rapport direct avec les recherches relatives à la zone aride (hydrologie, écologie végétale, énergie éolienne et solaire, climatologie, problèmes de la salinité, physiologie végétale, etc.) ont été organisés chaque année avec le concours de différents Etats membres.

Sur la suggestion de l'Organisation météorologique mondiale (OMM), le comité consultatif de recherches sur la zone aride a recommandé que l'on organise, conjointement avec l'OMM, un colloque sur les changements de climat. L'objet de ce colloque est de réunir des savants, représentant un

## B) UNESCO - OMM

### SYMPOSIUM ON CHANGES OF CLIMATE WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE ARID ZONES

ROME, 2-7 OCTOBRE 1961

#### 1. ORIGIN AND AIMS OF THE SYMPOSIUM

As part of Unesco's arid lands programme, symposia on subjects related to arid zone research (hydrology, plant ecology, wind and solar energy, climatology, salinity problems, plant physiology, etc.) have been organized each year with the assistance of different Member States.

At the suggestion of the World Meteorological Organisation (W.M.O.), the Advisory Committee on Arid Zone Research recommended that a symposium on changes of climate be organized conjointly with W.M.O. The purpose of the symposium is to bring together scientists from a number of disciplines such as meteorology, climatology, geomorphology, palaeobotany, etc., who



certain nombre de disciplines telles que la météorologie, la climatologie, la géomorphologie, la paléobotanique, etc. et ayant poursuivi des travaux sur la question, afin de dresser un tableau complet et détaillé des connaissances et des théories actuelles sur les changements de climat et sur leurs effets. Le Gouvernement italien a bien voulu accueillir ce colloque. La FAO, l'Association internationale de météorologie et de physique de l'atmosphère (AIMPA) et l'AIHS ont offert leur collaboration technique pour l'organisation du colloque.

## 2. PROGRAMME

Le programme a été établi conjointement par l'UNESCO, l'OMM et l'Association internationale de météorologie et de physique de l'atmosphère. La première question qui s'est évidemment posée a été de déterminer la période sur laquelle devrait porter l'étude. On a l'intention d'examiner surtout les changements récents survenus au cours de la période historique, sans toutefois exclure les travaux qui ont été faits sur la question pour la période du pleistocène.

La séance d'ouverture aura lieu le 2 octobre; ensuite, une journée sera consacrée à l'examen de chacun des quatre sujets suivants :

### I. *Changements survenus au cours de la période couverte par les observations météorologiques :*

La discussion portera notamment sur les indices fournis par les données météorologiques, glaciologiques et océanographiques, ainsi que sur les méthodes d'analyse et les critères à appliquer pour l'évaluation de ces données.

### II. *Changements survenus à la fin des temps géologiques et au début des temps historiques :*

La discussion devra porter notamment sur :

a) les techniques utilisées pour l'évaluation des données, y compris la paléobotanique (analyse des pollens et autres éléments), la paléozoologie, la géomorphologie, la dendrochronologie, les mesures des paléo-

have contributed to the subject so as to obtain a coherent and comprehensive picture of present knowledge, theories and implications of climatic change. The Italian Government has kindly offered to act as host for this Symposium. The F.A.O., the International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics (I.A.M.A.P.) and the I.A.S.H. have offered their technical collaboration in organizing the symposium.

## 2. PROGRAMME

The programme has been established jointly by Unesco, W.M.O. and the International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics. The first obvious question concerned the period to be covered. It was intended that the main emphasis of the symposium will be on recent changes during the historical period but not excluding relevant work on the Pleistocene.

Following the opening session which will take place on 2 October, one day will be devoted to each of the following four subjects.

### *Changes during the period of meteorological records :*

Discussion should include evidence provided by meteorological, glaciological and oceanographic data, the methods of analysis and the criteria to be used in evaluating the data.

### II. *Changes during the late geological and early historical record :*

Discussion should include :

a) techniques used in data evaluation including palaeobotany (pollen analysis and relevant material), palaeozoology, geomorphology, dendrochronology, palaeotemperature measurements (deep sea cores, etc.) and radiocarbon dating.

températures (sédiments abyssaux, etc.)  
a) la datation par le radiocarbone,  
b) les indices que ces techniques permettent d'obtenir sur les climats des époques récentes.

### *Théories des changements de climat*

La discussion devra porter notamment sur les explications possibles des changements de climat dont on a recueilli des indices sur la circulation générale de l'atmosphère et des océans, y compris les aspects régionaux et saisonniers de la question.

### *Portée des changements de climat*

La discussion devra porter notamment sur l'importance des changements de climat sous l'angle du point de vue des ressources en eau, de la géomorphologie et du sol, de l'écologie végétale et animale, et sur leurs effets dans le domaine de l'agriculture et dans d'autres secteurs de l'économie.

La séance de clôture sera consacrée principalement à l'élaboration d'un rapport synthétisant les points essentiels qui se seront dégagés des discussions.

Pour chacune des quatre principales questions étudiées, un président de séance sera nommé et les présidents seront invités à ouvrir la séance par un exposé général.

## **PARTICIPANTS**

L'Unesco et l'OMM inviteront un certain nombre de savants non italiens, connus pour s'être livrés à des travaux sur la question. Le comité local d'organisation se chargera d'obtenir la participation de spécialistes italiens. On espère en outre qu'un certain nombre de spécialistes pourront venir assister au colloque à leurs propres frais ou aux frais des institutions dont ils dépendent. Le nombre total des participants sera d'une centaine au maximum.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Conjointement avec les présidents de séance, le Département des sciences exactes et naturelles de l'Unesco, Place Fontenoy, Paris (7<sup>e</sup>), s'occupera de coordonner les

b) evidence of past climates derived from these techniques.

### *III. Theories of changes of climate*

Discussion should include possible explanations of the evidence of changes in climate in terms of the general circulation of the atmosphere and oceans, including regional and seasonal aspects.

### *IV. Significance of changes of climate*

Discussion should include the significance of changes of climate for water resources, geomorphology and soil, ecology of plants and animals, and agricultural and other economic implications.

The closing session will be devoted mainly to a review paper summarizing the main points brought out during the symposium.

A session chairman will be appointed for each of the four main fields and each of these chairmen will be invited to start the session with an opening review paper.

## **3. PARTICIPANTS**

Unesco and W.M.O. will invite a number of scientists from outside Italy who are known to have worked on the subject. The participation of Italian specialists will be organized by the local arrangements committee. In addition, it is hoped that a number of specialists will be able to attend at their own or their institution's expense. The total number of participants will be restricted to about one hundred scientists.

## **4. SCIENTIFIC PAPERS**

Together with the session chairmen, Unesco's Department of Natural Sciences, Place Fontenoy, Paris, VII<sup>e</sup>, will arrange for the coordination of scientific papers so that

communications qui seront présentées à la réunion afin d'assurer l'équilibre entre les diverses sections du programme.

Les participants qui désirent présenter des communications sont priés d'en adresser le titre accompagné d'un résumé de 250 mots au maximum, en anglais ou en français, au Département des sciences exactes et naturelles de l'Unesco avant le 1<sup>er</sup> mars 1961. Seules seront acceptées les communications scientifiques originales portant sur les questions inscrites dans le programme; les présidents de séance seront chargés du choix définitif des communications qui seront présentées.

Le texte complet de toutes les communications qui seront présentées oralement au cours de la réunion devra parvenir à l'Unesco pour le 1<sup>er</sup> mai 1961 au plus tard, afin que l'on puisse en assurer la reproduction et la diffusion avant l'ouverture du colloque.

Les manuscrits des communications devront être rédigés en anglais ou en français; ils ne seront reproduits que dans la version originale.

Les participants qui désirent rédiger leur communication en d'autres langues sont priés d'en fournir eux-mêmes la traduction soit en anglais soit en français.

Le texte complet devra être dactylographié et ne pas dépasser 5.000 mots, avec les références, graphiques et tableaux nécessaires. Seules les illustrations photographiques absolument indispensables à la compréhension du texte pourront y être jointes. Les références bibliographiques devront être citées conformément aux règles recommandées dans le document UNESCO NS/AZ/117.

L'Unesco se propose de publier le compte rendu des travaux du colloque dans sa collection *Recherches sur la zone aride*.

## 5. DATE ET LIEU DU COLLOQUE

Le colloque se tiendra du 2 au 7 octobre 1961 au siège de la FAO à Rome. D'autres précisions seront données ultérieurement et feront l'objet d'une deuxième note.

the various sections of the programme will be properly balanced.

Participants of the Symposium wishing to present scientific papers are requested to send the title together with a summary of not more than 250 words in English or French to Unesco's Department of Natural Sciences not later than 1 March 1961. Only original scientific papers bearing on the programme will be accepted, the final choice of papers to be presented resting with the session chairmen.

The full texts of all scientific papers must be presented orally during the Symposium and must reach Unesco not later than 1 May 1961 in order to leave sufficient time for the reproduction and circulation before the opening of the symposium.

Manuscripts of papers should be written in English or French; if they will be reproduced only in the original language.

Participants of the Symposium wishing to prepare their papers in other languages are requested to supply an English or French translation themselves.

The full text must be typed and contain not more than 5,000 words, together with any necessary references, graphs and tables. Only such photographs as are essential to the understanding of the text may be attached. Bibliographical references should be given in accordance with the rules advocated in document UNESCO/NS/AZ/117.

Unesco proposes to publish the proceedings of the Symposium in its *Arid Zone Research* series.

## 5. DATE AND PLACE OF THE SYMPOSIUM

The Symposium will be held in Rome at the FAO Headquarters from 2 to 7 October 1961.

Further details will be given in a second information note.



## D) UNITED Nations

### 1) WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

NEW YORK, 1960

The Water Resources Development Centre of the United Nations published in 1960 a booklet: Large-Scale Ground-water Development.

We reproduced the foreword and the Table of Contents of this booklet.

#### FOREWORD

1. In its resolution 675 (XXV) the Economic and Social Council requested the Secretary-General of the United Nations to take appropriate measures for the establishment, within the Secretariat, of a centre to promote co-ordinated efforts for the development of water resources. It also singled out ground-water problems as one of the priority subjects in the development of a programme of studies.

2. *Large-scale Ground-water Development* is the first of a series of studies to be jointly undertaken by the various United Nations organizations participating in the activities of the United Nations Water Resources Development Centre. In July 1959, as a first step in the preparation of the present study, the Centre held informal discussions at the headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in Rome with a group of experts and representatives of the interested specialized agencies. These discussions resulted in an annotated outline which was widely circulated for comments among specialists in the various techniques related to ground-water development. Dr. Frank Dixey, Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Arid Zone Research of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and former Director of the British Overseas Geological Surveys, was appointed by the Centre to prepare a preliminary draft which was discussed at a meeting held in New York in February 1960.

3. In finalizing this report the Water Resources Development Centre has thus benefited from the wide experience of the participants in the abovementioned meeting: Mr. François M.P. Bazin, ground-water hydrologist in charge of the ground-water investigation section, Société grenobloise d'études et d'applications hydrauliques (SOGREAH), France; Dr. David J. Burdon, ground-water geologist and FAO technical assistance expert; Mr. John P. Dabell, ground-water development specialist and Chief of Water Resources and Irrigation Branch, representing FAO; Dr. Frank Dixey; Mr. Thomas E. Eakin, geologist specialized in ground water, and Chief, Foreign Hydrology Section, United States Geological Survey; Mr. Benjamin R. Hudson, hydrogeologist-engineer and United Nations technical assistance expert; Mr. Max A. Kohler, Chief Research Hydrologist, United States Weather Bureau, representing the World Meteorological Organization; Mr. Abelardo S. Mañalac, Head Ground Water Unit, Bureau of Public Works, Philippines; Mr. Renato Pavanello, civil (hydraulic) and sanitary engineer, Pan American Sanitary Bureau - Regional Office for the Americas, World Health Organization (WHO), representing WHO; and Professor Verner A. Zans, Director of the Geological Survey Department, including Ground-water Branch, Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies. Credit should also be given here to Mr. R.N. Clark, Chief Sanitary Engineering Adviser Division of Environmental Sanitation, WHO, Geneva, who contributed most of annex II of the present study.

4. The study is divided into an introduction and five chapters, supplemented by annexes of a more technical and detailed nature and a glossary. The introduction delineates the study, with reference to experience gained in technical assistance in the light of advances in ground

water technology and current development. Chapter 1 sets out some basic considerations relating to ground-water use and deals in turn with economic factors, quantity and quality of water, allocation of ground-water supplies, effective use and conservation, and some social implications. Chapter 2 on stages of ground-water development covers the range from hydrogeological investigation to maintenance. Economic and financial aspects are the subject of Chapter 3 which reviews the elements of costs, the prospective benefits and the types of financing. Chapter 4 considers the role of Governments and the framework for organization and administrative questions relating to staff and other requirements. Chapter 5 discusses concepts of ground-water rights and other matters of ground-water legislation.

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## 2) CONFÉRENCE DES NATIONS UNIES SUR LES SOURCES NOUVELLES D'ÉNERGIE

ITALIE 21-31 AOUT 1961

Nous avons reçu un Bulletin d'Information venant de (New York) de cette conférence, dont nous reproduisons l'ordre du jour. Il nous a semblé que la partie relative à l'énergie géothermique pouvait intéresser l'AIHS.

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